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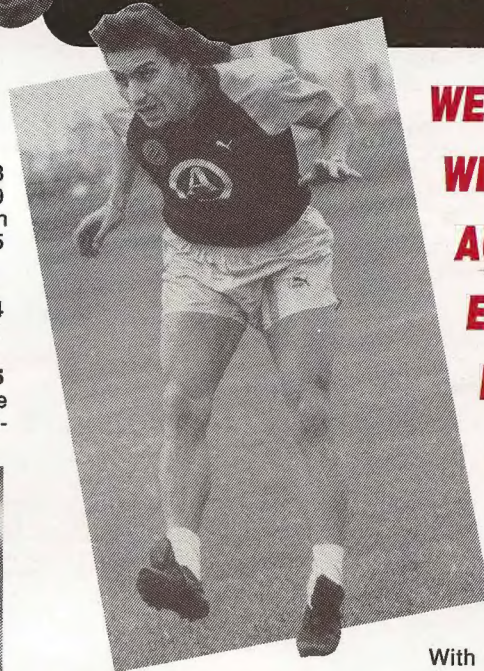
Our cover man Vlado Bozinovski is one of several Australians playing professionally overseas.

With the European season coming to a close, Aussie Soccer felt it was time to catch up on the fortunes of our exports to see how they fared in 1988-89.

Bozinovski is among those who have travelled back to Australia for the close season break and an in-depth interview about his topsy turvy first season appears on page 37.

In another exclusive for Aussie Soccer, Australian soccer's best ever export Edi Krncevic talks about his forthcoming move from Anderlecht in Belgium to Mulhouse in France - and gives some advice to promising Aussies seeking to break into the European scene.

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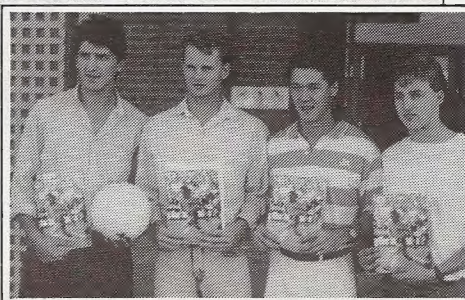
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1. The top brass at the launch of the magazine. From left to right: Tony Kovac (NSL vice-chairman), Sam Papasavas (NSL chairman), Con Sciacca (Queensland MLA), Tony Cerantonio (chairman, Aussie Soccer), Victorian sports minister Neil Trezise, George Wallace (VSF), Joe Caruso (executive director, Aussie Soccer).



2. Jovan Plavska (left), Regional manager JAT Yugoslav Airlines, with Alf Bulic, director of Melbourne JUST.



3. Socceroos (l to r) Oscar Crino, Mike Petersen, Alan Davidson and Paul Trimballi, give the magazine their seal of approval.



4. Joe Sterpin (NSL Melbourne liaison officer), Peter Gee (ABC TV), Peter Russell (NSL manager), John Bell (ABC TV).



5. NSL executives Tony Kovac and Sam Papasavas in deep discussion.



6. Greg Blake (Australian Soccer Weekly reporter) conducts an on-the-spot interview with Socceroo Oscar Crino.



7. NSL players at the launch: (l to r) Alan Davidson, Mike Petersen, Paul Trimballi, Aki Kotzamichalis, Oscar Crino, Joe Palatsides.

Thank

By **PETER DESIRA**
Editor, *Aussie Soccer*

Thank you Australia for giving our new soccer publication a big "Thumbs Up" and welcoming Aussie Soccer with open arms.

The group which brings you "Aussie Soccer" went into the new venture with some trepidation. The voices of doom predicted that the magazine would hardly get off the ground because soccer publications have a bad history in Australia.

Instead issue number one has been a sellout and is bound to become a collectors' item.

And the response we have had from our initial readers has been overwhelming.

Aussie Soccer's first big plus came in the form of the acceptance from the Sports minister for Victoria, Neil Trezise, to conduct our official launch.

And the Federal Sports minister sent his representative Con Sciacca from Queensland for the function, which was fittingly held at Florentine Receptions, in the same building in McIntyre Road Sunshine where the magazine is put together by the editorial and production staff.

Leading soccer personalities, Socceroos and NSL players were at the gathering to turn the launch into a big success.

Most of the soccer media gave their approval by writing positively about the first edition.

And ABC TV's John Bell gave the magazine its biggest boost by giving it airtime on The Big Match program.

From the publicity generated, we were hoping for a good response from the readers, but we were taken aback by the huge feedback we received in terms of soccer followers wishing to join the newly formed Aussie Soccer Club, the number of entries we got for our first competition and the number of people who took the time to write offering congratulations, opinions, and suggestions on the first issue.

The responses have come from every corner of Australia - Victoria, NSW, South Australia, Queens-

You AUSTRALIA!!

land, Western Australia, Tasmania, and even Darwin in the Northern Territory where we introduced a limited distribution.

A selection of the letters appears on page 12, and the first list of members appears in the Aussie Soccer Club pages starting on page 43.

The three Socceroos we got together to judge our competition to design a new strip for the national team, were still deliberating on a winner when this second issue was sent to print and we have been forced to delay naming the new proud owner of the soccer ball signed by Pele and Puskas.

Regardless of who wins, the competition has proved a fruitful exercise as Australian Soccer Federation chairman Ian Brusasco has asked the magazine to forward all the entries to the ASF office in Sydney so the national federation can have a closer look at the designs sent by our readers.

Brusasco commented that the ASF has its own marketing arm and that the possibility is there for a new strip to be designed and eventually marketed.

If that eventuates, Aussie Soccer readers will have earned their first pat-on-the-back for their contribution towards the improvement of the game in Australia. That is the main aim of Aussie Soccer, the magazine which cares about the sport.

The positive reaction has encouraged the publishers to go for a better quality of paper from this second issue onwards - but they have absorbed the additional costs and retained the \$2 cover price to provide additional value for money.

We maintain our initial commitment that we want the content of Aussie Soccer to be what really convinces readers to support the magazine with their patronage.

The first issue set the pace. We believe this second one meets the high standards we have set for the publication.

The staff member sending out the membership cards may not agree, but we're hoping for another flood of mail to provide the seal of approval.

Thank you again, Australia.



8. Aussie Soccer's first front-cover-man Alan Davidson with magazine chairman Tony Cerantonio and National Soccer League chairman Sam Papasavas.



9. Sports minister for Victoria, Neil Trezise (right) chats with Aussie Soccer editor Peter Desira (left) and ABC soccer anchorman John Bell (centre). Minister Trezise officially launched the publication.



\$25,000

JEFF OLVER
Melbourne Croatia to Heidelberg



\$20,000

Pedro Ricoy
St George to Apia Leichhardt



\$20,000

Warren Spink
Melbourne JUST
to Preston Makedonia



\$20,000

Zeljko Adzic
Hamilton Steelers (Canada)
to Melbourne Croatia



\$20,000

Zlatko Arambasic
Canterbury to Blacktown



\$18,000

GARRY McDOWALL
Brunswick Juventus to
Heidelberg Alexander



THE TOP

TRANSFERS

Preston Makedonia figured in three of the top 11 signings of the 1989 season.

The club did all its buying in the pre-season and its astute recruiting turned Preston from the struggler of 1988 to a championship contender this season.

But it doesn't always work that way...

Heidelberg paid out the biggest transfer fee of the season but remained bottom of the table.

And Blacktown had two buys among the top 11 and remained a cellar dweller....

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KURT REYNOLDS

Apia
Leichhardt
to
Blacktown



\$17,000

ANDREW ZINNI

Brunswick Juventus
to Preston Makedonia



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JOHN MARKOVSKI

George Cross
to Preston Makedonia



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PAUL LEWIS

Melbourne Croatia
to George Cross



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JEAN PAUL DE MARIGNY

Apia Leichhardt
to Marconi



HEIDELBERG SPENT THE MOST, ST. GEORGE SPENT THE LEAST, AND THE IMPORTS REMAINED THE BARGAIN BUYS, AS THE NSL \$1/2 MILLION IN THE

MEAT MA

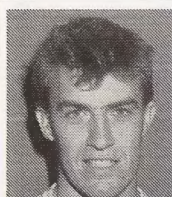
Newly promoted Heidelberg Alexander spent over one fifth of the half a million dollars turned over by National League clubs in transfers in the 1989 season.

Clubs are always reluctant to reveal accurate figures involved in

transfers but in statistics compiled from figures reported in the press, over \$500,000 changed hands in moves involving the 14 NSL clubs by June 9, the transfer deadline set by the League for the 1989 season.

Heidelberg outstripped all the others with a massive spending spree after realising that its squad which won the Victorian State League did not measure up to NSL standard.

The Bergers forked out



McGarry



Alagiozidis



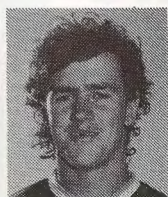
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Soper



Rumora



Murray



Rados



Barnes

WHO MOVED WHERE, WHEN...AND THE COST!

1989 Transfer Trail
Adoboe Ferdie. Ghana to St George. free. January.

Adzic Zeljko. Hamilton Steelers - Melb Croatia. \$20,000. Apr.

Alagiozidis Ike. Caulfield to Heidelberg. \$10,000. January.

Arambasic Zlatko. Canterbury to Blacktown. \$20,000. February.

Awaritefe Frances. Sutton (England) - Melb Croatia. free. Jan.

Barnes Peter. Sunderland (England) to Melb JUST. free. April.

Batten David. Sydney Olympic to Wollongong. March.

Bernal Andrew. Ipswich (England) - Syd Olympic. free. January.

Berry Steve. Blacktown to Avala. \$2500. March.

Blagojevic Milan. Avala to Apia Leichhardt. \$13,500. March.

Bozinoski Vlado. Melb JUST - FC Brugge (Belgium). \$160,000, November 88.

Brown John. Hamilton (Scotland) to Wollongong. January.

Burgess Jon. Brisbane City to Heidelberg. free. January.

Calbanese Walter. San Lorenzo (Argentina) to Wollongong. May.

Cannell Stuart. Green Gully to Melb Croatia. \$4000. February.

Clarkson Dave. Brisb Lions to Adelaide City. \$2000. January.

Danzo John. Fairy Meadow to Wollongong. January.

De Marigny Jean Paul. Apia to Marconi. \$15,000. January.

Dimoski Milan. Melbourne JUST to Adelaide City. \$6000. May.

Divljak Tomislav. Yugal to Apia Leichhardt. free. January.

Douglas Steve. Green Gully to Heidelberg. \$5000. January.

Durakovic Mehmet. Brunswick Juve to Melb JUST. \$6000 (loan). January.

Duzel Ivan. St Albans to Melbourne Croatia. \$6000. February.

Edwards Alistair. Rangers (Scotland) - Syd Olympic. free. Jan.

Ellem Brian. Blacktown to Apia Leichhardt. \$5000. January.

Giannakopoulos Atanasios. Akritikos (Greece) to Heidelberg. \$7000. May.

Gibson John. AIS to Blacktown. free. January.

Gojevic Steve. Preston Makedonia to Heidelberg. \$12,000. May.

Goutzioulis Angie. Caulfield to Heidelberg. \$4000. January.

Grgic Mate. St Albans (Vic) to Melbourne Croatia. \$500. May.

Hagan Kevin. St George to Apia Leichhardt. \$5000. January.

Halliday Bruce. Bath City (UK) to Apia Leichhardt. March.

Harper Andy. Sydney Olympic to St George. free. January.

Horvat Steve. AIS to Melbourne Croatia. free. January.

Ivanovic Milan. Red Star (Yugoslavia) to Adelaide City. free. February.

Jeel Stefan. Sydney Olympic to Apia Leichhardt. free. January.

Kalogeros George. South Melb to Heidelberg. \$6000. February.

Kalogeros George. Heidelberg to Melbourne JUST. March.

Kelic Ivan. St Albans to Melbourne Croatia. \$4000. January.

Kosmina John. Syd Olympic to Apia Leichhardt. free. January.

Krslovic Tony. Sydney Croatia to St George. free. February.

Latif Ossie. Albion to S George Cross. \$8000. January.

Lewis Paul. Melb Croatia to S George Cross. \$17000. February.

Longo Dominic. AIS to Blacktown. free. January.

Lorca Ernesto. Independencia (Argentina) to Wollongong. May.

Luongo Ernie. Adelaide City to Adelaide Polonia. March.

Markovac Robert. S George Cross to Preston Makedonia. \$6000. December 88.

Markovski John. S George Cross to Preston Makedonia. \$17,000. December 88.

Mason Craig. Marconi to Apia Leichhardt. \$6500. January 89.

McDowall Garry. Brunswick Juve

to Heidelberg. \$18,000. March.

McDowall Paul. East Fife (Scotland) to Heidelberg. \$2000. April.

McGarry Mike. Mosgiel (NZ) to Sydney Olympic. free. January.

McKenna Lawrie. Apia Leichhardt to Blacktown. \$6000. January.

Morley Pat. Linfield (Ireland) to S. George Cross. free. Feb.

Murphy Jerry. Crystal Palace (UK) to Blacktown. free. May.

Murray Peter. Newcastle to Apia Leichhardt. \$2500. January.

Nicolaou Dean. AIS to Preston Makedonia. free. January.

Nicolaou Dean. Preston Makedonia to Kingsway Olympic (WA). March.

O'Connor Steve. St George to Apia Leichhardt. free. January.

Olver Jeff. Melbourne Croatia to Heidelberg. \$25,000. April.

Opasinis Con. Prest Makedonia to Melb Croatia. \$12,000. Feb.

Palatsides Joe. Brunswick Juve to Melb JUST. \$6000. (loan). January.

Pappas Kon. Heidelberg Alxndr to Caulfield City. \$3500. Feb.

Patalis Terry. Syd Olympic to AEK (Greece). \$35000. Dec 88.

Patinotis Arthur. Heidelberg to Northcote City. \$7000. March.

Petersen Mike. Brnswck Juve to South Melb. \$10500 (loan). Feb.

Phillips Hilton. Apia Leichhardt to Freshwater. February.

Rados Joe. St Albans to Melbourne Croatia. February.

Radosavljevic Mirko. Avala to Apia Leichhardt. \$7000. January.

Raponi Mauro. Thomastown (Vic) to Melbourne JUST. free. March.

Rappos Gary. Eltham to Preston Makedonia. free. January.

Ratcliffe David. Wollongong to St George. January.

Retre Carlos. Mordialloc (Vic) to Melb JUST. \$3500. March.

Reynolds Kurt. Apia Leichhardt to Blacktown. \$19,000. January.

Ricoy Pedro. St George to Apia Leichhardt. \$20,000. January.

Roberts Brian. Mt Manganui (NZ)

to Sunshine George Cross. February.

Rumora Ante. Dinamo Zagreb to Sydney Croatia. March.

Runje Robert. Crocydon to Preston Makedonia. \$5000. Dec 88.

Russell Bobby. South Melbourne to Heidelberg. free. May.

Samardzija Peter. Melb Croatia to Preston Makedonia. January.

Scott Alan. Melbourne Croatia to Heidelberg. \$11000. February.

Sergiacomi Danny. Adelaide City to Adelaide Croatia. February.

Sharp Dane. SV Horn (Austria) to Adelaide City. free. January.

Sharp Dane. Adelaide City to Adelaide Croatia. free. March.

Soper Marshall. Sydney Olympic to Canterbury. \$15,000. April.

Spink Warren. Melb JUST to Preston Mak. \$20,000. December 88.

Stevenson Stuart. Preston Makedonia to Heidelberg. \$7000. April.

Stewart John. Preston Makedonia to Heidelberg. \$13000. February.

Taseski Ilija. Altona Gate to Preston Mak. \$3000. December 88.

Tortevski Vlade. St George to Melbourne JUST. \$6000. January.

Tortevski Vlade. Melbourne JUST to Altona Gate. \$6000. March.

Tredinnick Peter. Apia to Heidelberg. \$5000. February.

Vial Lenny. Melita Eagles to Adelaide City. \$8000. January.

Vial Lenny. Adelaide City to Melita Eagles. \$8000. March.

Vladisevic Vlado. Yugoslavia to Melbourne JUST. January.

Webber Jim. Kingsford to Apia Leichhardt. January.

Wright Billy. Mt Wellington NZ to Blacktown. February.

Wright Billy. Blacktown to Morwell Falcons. \$850. March.

Yankos Charlie. Apia to PAOK (Greece). \$30,000. December 88.

Zajmi Burim. Apia Leichhardt to Sydney Croatia. March.

Zelic Ned. AIS to Sydney Croatia. free. January.

Zinni Andrew. Brunswick Juve to Preston Mak. \$17,000. Dec 88.

BRUNSWICK JUVE GAINED THE MOST CLUBS WENT HAYWIRE TURNING OVER

RKET

\$112,000 to sign 11 players.

The new signings were Ike Alajozidis (\$10,000), Steve Douglas (\$5000), Angie Goutzioulis (\$4000), John Stewart (\$13,000), Alan Scott (\$11,000), Peter Tredinick (\$5000), Garry McDowall (\$18,000), Stuart Stevenson (\$7000), Jeff Oliver (\$25,000), Paul McDowall (\$2000), Steve Gojevic (\$12,000).

There were three other arrivals - Jon Burgess, Bobby Russell and Atanasios Giannakopoulos - who did not involve fees for their transfers.

Burgess and Russell were free releases while Giannakopoulos bought out his own contract from Greek third division club Akritikos.

Oliver's signing from Melbourne Croatia also was the highest priced transfer of the season.

Elsewhere there were four other moves which involved fees of \$20,000 exchanging hands - Warren Spink, Pedro Ricoy, Zeljko Adzic and Zlatko Arambasic.

Adzic has turned out to be one of the bargain buys despite the high price tag.

He has proved to be worth

every cent not only because of the number of goals he has scored but also because of his close control and an ability to get out of tight situations, intelligent first time passes and adaptability to different roles.

Arambasic's fee was decided after a lengthy tribunal case at the NSW Soccer Federation and came after an appeal reduced the figure from \$35,000 - an unrealistic fee for a 19 year old who had only played State League with Canterbury.

There were other teenagers who commanded big fees because of their playing experience with the Young Socceroos, but they also provided good value for money.

They included John Markovski, who gave ample benefit for the \$17,000 Preston Makedonia paid out for him.

Another was Milan Blagojevic, who has been gently introduced to the NSL with several half games by Apia coach Mike Urukalo before being considered for the full 90 minutes.

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Milan Blagojevic

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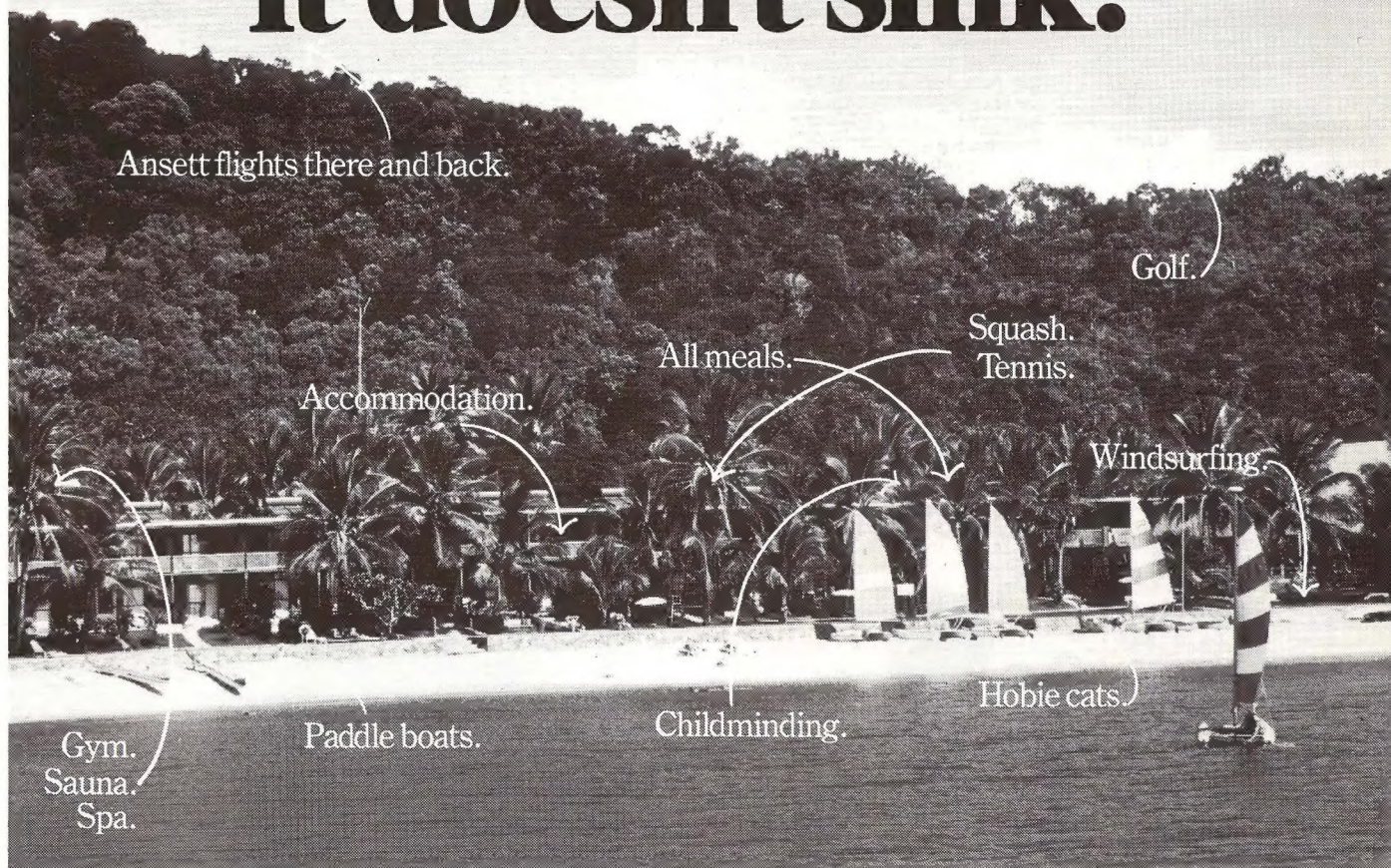
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One of the clubs which derived most benefit from the 1989 transfer season was Brunswick Juventus, which was relegated from the NSL last season.

The club remained ambitious to regain NSL status but realised its top players would not settle on playing in a lower league and came up with the ideal solution of loaning them out for the year.

In that way they got \$22,500 for passing Mike Petersen to South Melbourne (\$10,500), Joe Palatsides (\$6000) and Mehmet Durakovic (\$6000) to Melbourne JUST but the players will again become the property of the club in 1990, by which time it hopes to be back in the big league.

The 1989 bargain free transfers included:

- * Frances Awaritefe, who won a regular spot at Melbourne Croatia after coming from the English non League.

- * Andrew Bernal and Alistair Edwards, who returned to Australia as free agents from Britain to join Sydney Olympic.

- * Milan Ivanovic, who turned out to be one of the star imports of the season after joining Adelaide City from Red Star Belgrade.

- * John Kosmina who continued to score goals for Apia to stretch his lead as the All-time NSL top scorer after moving from Sydney Olympic in the close season.

- * Bruce Halliday, who strengthened the Apia backline after arriving in Australia with over 140 appearances in English league soccer.

Noticeably that lot includes several imports and is ample proof why NSL clubs continue to look overseas for signings.

The bottom line appears to be that although Australia is producing good quality youngsters, their chances of playing in the NSL are being hampered by the unrealistic transfer figures being placed on them by the Australian clubs.



JEFF OLVER... RELUCTANT SIGNING

Jeff Olver's high priced move was a reluctant transfer... but the Soccerroo keeper refuses to let the high price tag put additional pressure on him.

Heidelberg Alexander paid \$25,000 on Wednesday April 19 for Olver after Melbourne Croatia rejected the initial bid of \$20,000 for the keeper a fortnight before.

"I had a contract with Melbourne Croatia and was quite prepared to stay with the club," is Olver's explanation.

"I was flattered that Heidelberg showed that much faith in my ability to make two bids

for me, but I never got involved in the transaction - the agreement to transfer me was reached between the officials of the two clubs.

"Having said that, I'm happy to be back at Heidelberg. The club gave me my senior chance and I put in nine years' service with them so I still have a lot of friends there and I hope that I can repay their faith in me by playing well.

"But it was never going to be a case of Jeff Olver being the saviour of Heidelberg from relegation.

"I was simply bought to

strengthen a department on the field, and whether we go down or not, I will be there trying my best.

"I wasn't worried about signing for the bottom club. At the time of the transfer about seven clubs were embroiled in the relegation battle and Melbourne Croatia was one of them.

"Heidelberg's position may appear bad but no one is going to give up while it is still mathematically possible to avoid the drop.

"If we can string a couple of wins on the trot anything is possible."

In Off the Post



Congratulations on the launch of "Aussie Soccer" - your magazine is just what the game in Australia needs to raise its profile.

The colour segments are especially appreciated and I must say the cover price of \$2 is extremely good.

May I suggest possibilities for coming issues of the magazine:

1. More overseas results and an occasional feature article, eg on FA Cup, UEFA Cup etc. Most overseas magazines do not get here until months after the events.
2. Features on, for instance, the life and views of Frank Arok, history etc of Johnny Warren, Les Murray (SBS commentators), and the Socceroo assistant coaches.
3. Interviews with visiting soccer celebrities, eg George Best in June. (Puskas was here last year as was Pele).
6. Video reviews of new and current releases on soccer.
5. An article on TV coverage of soccer in Australia - featuring those responsible at ABC (The Big Match, NSL Soccer), SBS (World Soccer). Best wishes for your enterprise.

Paul Scott, Taroona, Tasmania.

You anticipated our plans on the TV coverage - our next issue will be taking a behind the scenes look at how the ABC's Big Match programme is put to air.

Your other ideas are welcomed and will be put forward at our monthly think-tank. We will always welcome suggestions from our readers and will do our best to meet their wishes.

- The Editor.

As an eager soccer follower, I congratulate you on your decision to publish the new and exciting monthly magazine "Aussie Soccer". Soccer in Australia requires a great deal more exposure to sell the code to the public, an aspect which "Aussie Soccer" will adequately address and satisfy. Judging by the quality of your first magazine, I am confident that the future success of this publication will be guaranteed. Congratulations and good luck.

**Andrew Mangonis,
Abbotsford, Victoria.**



I congratulate the organisers involved with the publishing of the new magazine "Aussie Soccer" and hope that it will provide soccer fans with interesting information on ongoing issues in Australia and around the world.

It is encouraging to see an organisation such as yourself taking the bold initiative in an attempt to put soccer on an Australia-wide stage.

Tony Meola, Athelstone, South Australia.

I wish you the very best with the new magazine.

I enjoyed reading the players' profiles and the reports on the various clubs. Also the pre-season predictions were interesting (Blacktown will not be relegated).

I can't see Marconi failing to win the league (which should be first past the post). But if they do, I'm impressed with Melbourne Croatia after watching them on TV and after seeing them beat Blacktown 1-3 (although it was a very close game). The NSL club directory was very helpful and the colour pin-ups were good to see. I hope all clubs will be featured maybe also including their history.

Anyway good luck, and also a very big thank you to ABC TV. Their program is improving and the soccer has been very exciting to watch.

**Reg Arundale Reg.
Chatswood, NSW.**

FRANK AROK

I am writing to express my thoughts on our national team. I feel Frank Arok should be re-appointed as coach. What he has done in the past few years in terms of putting the Socceroos on the world map is phenomenal. When has a soccer match in Australia generated so much interest and national fervor than that against Israel in Sydney? It was great to see a group of South Melbourne Hellas (myself included), Melbourne Croatia and Preston Makedonia fans making the trip to Sydney for the game. It was spine tingling stuff seeing fans drawn from all over Australia singing and cheering their throats dry. Even though we drew, I was still proud of our gutsy effort.

Sadly the support the Socceroos get from their fans doesn't follow through to our administrators. How the heck could they let the qualifying games be played in April and not after the season?

How can they justify saying two games against an NSL standard club, Malmö, were sufficient preparation when Israel is preparing against Wales, Dinamo Kiev etc?

The people to blame for our failure are not the players, not Frank Arok, but our inept and unprofessional administrators. I would like to see 15 to 20 Socceroos put on full time wages, training as a unit at regular intervals, regular games against world class opposition and support from all because making the World Cup is the ultimate and is what soccer is all about.

**Nick Koutsourna,
St Albans, Victoria.**

Bringing Malta to Australia

By Albert Agius

Maltese Broadcaster on Radio 3EA Melbourne.

The Maltese community has made a big contribution in the development of soccer in Australia.

The Maltese have supported the world game in all departments from playing, to refereeing, to administration and especially through the turnstiles.

The clubs backed by the Maltese, Sunshine George Cross in Victoria and Melita Eagles in NSW have been prominent from the early days of competitive soccer and remain among the leading teams.

The support at club and national team level has been loyal and dedicated but the thousands of Maltese soccer followers in Australia have never been rewarded with a visit of the national team of their homeland.

The principal reason for this omission has been the relative footballing ability - or lack of it.

But that no longer remains valid now.

There is a markedly different approach towards the game in Malta and the ruling body, the MFA, has adopted a more professional attitude which is bearing fruit. It has turned the members of the Maltese national team into full professional players and its policies are working with recent good results at international level.

Admittedly Malta is not among the world soccer

giants yet but in 1988, the influential "La Gazzetta Dello Sport" of Italy ranked Malta in 16th place among the European nations on results for the year. The highly respected "France Football" slotted Malta in 18th spot along with Greece and Switzerland and ahead of famous footballing countries such as Scotland, Denmark, Portugal, East Germany and Wales.

Various clubs in Malta have often expressed a wish to send their team to Australia in a gesture towards their migrant brothers.

Now the interest has spread up to the highest level in Malta and in a recent telex to me, the MFA president, Dr George Abela expressed the hope that the Maltese Australian community will be able to see the Maltese team in action in the near future.

I submit that the time is ripe for this to happen now.

Malta would be a good sparring partner when Australia starts rebuilding its Socceroo squad.

Given the progress made by Maltese soccer in recent years, the Red and Whites will be no pushovers and they would provide solid opposition to the new Australian team. The Maltese will be as worthy and as formidable as any other team that Australia has to practice against.



Such friendly internationals would provide the ASF with an ideal opportunity of rewarding the Maltese-Australian soccer follower for his contribution to the game here.

As well as rewarding the loyalty, I believe that a tour by Malta would be profitable at the gate. The local Maltese backed clubs have always attracted a big following from the community in Victoria and NSW. If the Maltese national team was to come here, those thousands would flock to the game and so would hundreds of other Maltese who have never been to a soccer ground - simply because of the feeling they have for their homeland.

The soccer followers with a Maltese background have been too complacent and loathe to make their voices heard when we all know that it is the squeaky wheel which gets the oil. Maybe it's time they let it be known they cannot be ignored forever.

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ANDY KOCZKA



St George & Australia

Born: 9 September 1965 in Annandale, NSW. My parents Frank and Helen emigrated from Hungary in 1956.

Height & weight: 185 cm (6ft 1in), 82 kg (13 stone).

Status: I married Debbie in March during the World Cup campaign. Frank Arok was generous and gave me 2 days off for our honeymoon.

Car: I change my car fairly often. I trade them in at various dealerships. Just now I'm driving a blue Commodore - I've had it for a few weeks.

Previous clubs: I've been with St George since I was 13. I went through all their junior grades and made it to the senior side in 1983. I started playing as a four year old with the minis at Earlwood Wanderers.

Occupation: I'm the development officer at St George. We have over 15,000 kids playing soccer in the St George area and I go to schools giving lectures and doing practical work. It's something soccer should be doing more of because it helps the kids identify with players when they go to games.

Nickname: Jeff Oliver called me "Aussie Joe" because he reckoned I looked like the boxer (Joe Bugner). It has stuck for 3 years now.

Worst ever injury: I tore medial ligaments in 1986. Overall it kept me out for about five months because I tried to come back too early.

Favorite Australian player: Warren Spink. He is mobile, very sharp, shields the ball well and scores lots of goals.

Favorite overseas player: Ruud Gullit - he is big, strong, direct and very effective.

Favorite teams: In Australia it must be St George. Overseas I've followed Liverpool since I was a kid.

Favorite away ground: Hindmarsh Stadium because of its surface and because it is a similar set up to Barton Park (St George's ground).

Favorite stadium at which you have played: The Sydney Football Stadium because of its design.

Best goal scored: Against Preston Makedonia in 1986. I got the ball near the halfway line, dribbled forward and hit a shot which landed in the top corner - I was lucky hitting the ball just right.

Best goal seen scored: Maradona's against England in the 1986 World Cup finals.

Most difficult opponent: Gary Van Egmond when I was playing up front. He is a fast, strong defender, good in the air, and very alert.

Most memorable match: The 1987 NSL Top Five grand final when we beat (NSL champion) Apia 4-0. It was a great way to finish off my 1st year as St George captain.

Own magic moment in soccer: My first goal for Australia against Malmö in Melbourne this year. I made the tackle in our own half, and started a run upfield after passing to Paul Trimboli. He played the ball to Graham Arnold who knocked it first time. I managed to get in and hit the shot from an angle.

Biggest disappointment: Not getting on the park for the match against Israel in the World Cup tie in Sydney in front of that fantastic 43,000 crowd.

Favorite other sports: Boxing - I watched a lot of Jeff Fenech's fights. I love the sport. I also have my own boat and do a lot of water skiing. And I've followed rugby since I was a kid.

Dislikes: People who think they know everything.

Favorite TV: Hill Street Blues is a great show. And I'm an addict of Mash - even though the series is having its 15th re-run.

TV shows you always switch off: Daryn Hinch bores me to tears. Daytime serials like The Bold and The Beautiful... they're too crappy for words.

Favorite reading: Sports biographies. I enjoyed reading the George Best one. The last one I went through was Mohammed Ali's.

Favorite music: I love Elvis' voice and I idolised him as a kid. I like Billy Joel & Bruce Springsteen.

Favorite actor/actress: Paul Newman - you must admit I look a bit like him. And Rachel Ward must

be the most beautiful woman in the world.

Best film seen recently: Dirty Rotten Scoundrels. I didn't fancy the title but Scott Ollerenshaw convinced me to go see it with him. It turned out to be a very good funny story.

Favorite food/drink: I really enjoy a chicken schnitzel with rice, a good riesling & Southern Comfort.

Best country visited: Definitely not Russia (Andy Koczka went to USSR with the Young Socceroos for the 1985 World Youth Championship finals). The best was probably Israel because of its brilliant women.

Best Friend: A lady called Gaye. My wife will read this but she won't mind because it's her mum. It stumps most people but I have the best mother-in-law in the world.

Biggest influence on career: Definitely Frank Arok. He took me under his wing when I was so young, worked on me and pushed me into places. He took a gamble with me but I hope I haven't let him down.

What don't you like about soccer: I can't tolerate crowd violence including people who spit.

Pre-match meal: Pasta, especially fettuccini. I've got a bad stomach and don't eat anything 6 hours before a match. If I eat anything later than that, I'm gone.

International honors: Young Socceroos, Australia's Under 23s and seven games for the senior Socceroos. At state level I represented NSW from Under 12s to 16s and played for the senior NSW side.

Most embarrassing moment: After the game in Israel in March, I asked Frank (Arok) if I could delay dinner by an hour to do extra training on my own. When I came in, all the Socceroos lined-up at the dining room door to give me a grand entrance - they gave me a lot of stick about crawling to the coach in front of a dining room full with 300 people.

Ambitions: I would now like to give overseas professional soccer a try and am keen to get a trial in France. Frank (Arok) has promised to help me with his contacts.

Career after playing: I would like to take my job as development officer a lot further. There is incred-



Andy Koczka

ible potential in the contact with the kids.

Player to watch out for this season: Paul Trimboli will be the best striker Australia ever had. He is a tremendous finisher and is deceptively quick.

Person you would you most like to meet: Mohammed Ali, the one person who talked big and was able to do whatever he used to say.

Advice to youngsters: Enjoy the game. And don't be selfish because soccer is a team sport.

Andrew Koczka

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Presenting the statistics which have become the
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The SOCCEROO FILES

THE 1989 SOCCEROOS



Back row (left to right): Pedro Ruz (physio), Gary Cole (assistant coach), Alex Tobin, Jeff Olver, Mike Gibson, Steve Calderan, Andy Koczka, Frank Arok (coach), Rod Woods (gear steward).
Middle row (l to r): Oscar Crino, Graham Jennings, Gary Van Egmond, Graham Arnold, Mike Petersen, Alan Davidson.
Front row (l to r): Paul Wade, Robble Slater, Paul Trimboli, Scott Ollerenshaw, Wally Savor, Charlie Yankos, Warren Spink.

Until the appointment of Alan Vessey as the new general secretary, the Australian Soccer Federation virtually kept no records of our national team.

Nobody knew how many games exactly any player played in the Green and Gold - or how many goals, or against which teams he played. There were simply no accurate details except for records gathered by three journalists.

Vessey has changed the attitude and is now keeping

the official records for the ASF - and updating them with every game the Socceroos play.

Before he could start however, he sought the assistance of Aussie Soccer editor Peter Desira to get the full record of results, venues, match line-ups, substitutions, appearances, goals, and the split-up of full internationals.

The records compiled by Desira are generally recognised as the most accurate and the ASF's approach to him gave those statistics a fi-

nal seal of approval.

Now that they have become the official record, Aussie Soccer is proud to present them to its readers in this new series called "The Socceroo Files".

On the facing page is the first part of our series starting with the games played in 1964 when the Australian Soccer Federation was formed.

The easy-to-follow line-ups sheet gives details of every game played in date order, the line-up, goalscor-

ers and substitutions.

On page 19, the Socceroo Files deal with the player appearances and backs up each player's appearances record with a full list of games played (with goals scored) and in what year. It's all there player-by-player in alphabetical order.

The pages are designed to cut-out-and-keep and once the series is complete, will become a valuable reference guide never before available to soccer followers.

AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL TEAM LINE-UPS 1964 - 70.

Key: Game Details comprise event, opponent (full internationals in capitals), result, Australia's score first, venue, & date. A denotes an own goal in favor of Australia. In the line-up details, the substitutes are in brackets. # denotes a goal, # denotes sent off. Event abbreviations: F (friendly), WC (World Cup), IF (International Tournament), OC (Oceania Cup).

Game Date's	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
1964												
1. v Scotland 1-2 (Melb June May 10)	Lord	Edwards	Salisbury	Henric	Stojanovic	Jordan	Jurekai	Balett	Scheinflug	Nhaus*	Adam	Jim Kelly
2. v Finland 1-1 (Sydney May '6)	Iglesias	Edwards	Salisbury	Mick	Woods	Reynolds	Jurekai	Kowalec	Scheinflug	Nhaus*	Blau-Gartner	Kelly
1965												
1. v Moscow Torpedo 10-2 (Perth February 25)	Ivanoff	Stojanovic	Van Blerk	Morison	Peap	Simpson	McMeechan	Reid	Mutley	Treson	Slankovic	Kelly
2. v Chelsea 1-2 (Sydney May 22)	Roberts	Shepherd	Mutall	Hughes	Rice	Scheinflug	Blitz*	Watling*	Blue	Anderson	Pearson	Kelly
3. v Chelsea 0-1 (Melbourne May 3)	Roberts	Shepherd	Mutall	Hughes	Cook	Scheinflug	Blitz	Anderson	Watling*	Pearson	Pearson	Kelly
WC v North Korea 1-6 (Canberra November 21)	Hobbs	Shepherd	Ackerley	Hughes	Rice	Scheinflug*	Slight	Anderson	Blue	Watling	Todd	Tim Jelisevic
WC v North Korea 1-1 (Canberra November 24)	Rorke	Shepherd	Cook	Hughes	Rice	Watling	Blitz	Anderson	Herteg	Scheinflug*	Pearson	Jelisevic
1. v CAMBODIA 0-0 (Canberra November 24)	Rorke	Shepherd	Ackerley	Hughes	Watling (Anderson)	Warren	Blitz	McMeechan	Johnston	Giles	Todd	Jelisevic
2. v HONG KONG 1-1 (Hong Kong November)	Rorke	Shepherd	Cook	Hughes	Rice	Watling	Pearson	Anderson	Johnston	Warren	Todd	Jelisevic
3. v AIR MALAYSIA 1-2 (Melb June 2 November)	Roberts	Shepherd	Ackerley	Hughes	Cook	Watling	Blitz	Anderson*	Blue	Scheinflug	Pearson	Jelisevic
4. v TAIWAN 0-1 (Melb June 2 December 3)	Rorke	Shepherd	Ackerley	Hughes	Cook	Watling	Blitz	Pearson	Blue**	Warren (Herteg)	Todd	Jelisevic
5. v MALAYSIA 1-0 (Perth December)	Rorke	Shepherd	Ackerley	Hughes	Cook	Watling	Blitz	Anderson (Guest)	Blue	Pearson*	Todd	Jelisevic
6. v MALAYSIA 1-0 (Perth December)	Rorke	Shepherd	Ackerley	Watling	Cook	Scheinflug*	McMeechan	Warren	Blue (Johnston)	Pearson	Todd*	Jelisevic
1966												
1. v Roma 0-1 (Sydney)	Rorke	Edwards	Nutall	Hughes	Rice	Watling	Morrow*	Campara	Giacometti	Walsh	Holden	Joe Marston
1967												
1. v SCOTLAND 1-1 (Sydney May 26)	Fuzes	Nutall	Marnoch	Watling	Cook	Hughes	Westwater (Giacometti)	Giles	Warren	Baartz	Blue	Joe Venglos
2. v SCOTLAND 1-2 (Adelaide May 31)	Rorke	Van Blerk	Marnoch	Cook	Shepherd	Hughes	Westwater	McMeechan (Blue)	Watling	Baartz*	Giacometti	Venglos
3. v SCOTLAND 1-2 (Melb June 4)	Fuzes	Van Blerk	Marnoch	Rice	Shepherd	Hughes	Warren	Watling	Abonyi	Westwater	Morrow (Giacometti)	Venglos
4. v NEW ZEALAND 1-0 (Melb June 4)	Romanowicz	Keith	Ackerley	Mick (Schaefer)	Van Alphen	Westwater	McColl (Richards)	Abonyi***	Warren*	Baartz*	Vojtek	Joe Viasits
5. v SOUTH VIETNAM 1-0 (Saigon November)	Romanowicz	Keith	Ackerley	Schaefer	Van Alphen	Westwater	Vojtek	Abonyi	Warren*	Baartz	McColl (Richards)	Viasits
6. v SINGAPORE 1-1 (Saigon November)	Corry	Keith (Wilkins)	Ackerley	Schaefer (Mick)	Van Alphen	Westwater*	Richards	Abonyi***	Warren	Baartz*	Vojtek	Viasits
7. v MALAYSIA 1-0 (Saigon November)	Corry	Keith	Ackerley	Schaefer	Van Alphen	Westwater	McColl	Abonyi	Warren	Baartz*	Vojtek	Viasits
8. v SOUTH KOREA 1-2 (Saigon November 14)	Corry	Keith	Ackerley	Schaefer	Van Alphen	Westwater	McColl	Abonyi	Warren	Baartz	Vojtek	Viasits
9. v INDONESIA 1-0 (Indonesia November)	Romanowicz	Keith	Ackerley (Wilkins)	Schaefer	Van Alphen	Westwater	McColl	Abonyi*	Warren	Baartz*	Vojtek (De Vries)	Viasits
10. v INDONESIA 1-1 (Indonesia November)	Corry	Wilkins	Ackerley	Mick	Schaefer	Lloyd	Vojtek**	Richards	Warren	Baartz	De Vries (Westwater)	Viasits

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1. v SINGAPORE W3-0 (Singapore November)	Corry	Keith	Ackenley	Wick	Schaefer	Lloyd	McColl	Abonyi**	Warren	Westwater*	Volet** (Lefter)	Volets
2. v GERMANY W3-0 (Singapore November)	Romanowicz	Wilkins	Ackenley	Mike	Schaefer*	Lloyd	Volet**	Abonyi**	Richardson	Westwater*	McColl** Daughter	Volets
3. v MALAYSIA W4-0 (Malaysia November)	Corry	Keith	Ackenley	Schaefer	Van Alphen	Westwater	McColl*	Abonyi**	Warren	Beatz	Volet**	Volets
1968												
1. v JAPAN D2-2 (Sydney March)	Corry	Keith	Schaefer	Van Alphen	Ackenley	Schaefer	Westwater	Beatz	Volet	Warren	McColl*	Volets
2. v JAPAN W3-0 (Melbourne March)	Corry	Keith	Westwater	Schaefer	Ackenley	Blue	Schaefer*	Beatz	Beatz	Beatz	McColl	Volets
3. v JAPAN L1-3 (Adelaide March)	Kelly	Keith	Schaefer	Van Alphen	Ackenley	Westwater	Blue	Beatz	Beatz	Schaefer	McColl*	Volets
1969												
1. v GREECE W1-0 (Sydney July 28)	Corry	Schaefer	Walsh	Marmach	Ackenley	Walsh	Warren	Abonyi*	Beatz	Beatz	Volet	Volets
2. v GREECE D2-2 (Brisbane July 29)	Corry	Schaefer	Walsh	Marmach	Ackenley	Walsh	Warren	Abonyi*	Beatz	Beatz	Volet	Volets
3. v GREECE D2-2 (Melbourne July 27)	Corry	Schaefer	Walsh	Marmach	Ackenley	Lloyd	McColl	Warren	Beatz	Beatz	Volet	Volets
4. v JAPAN W1-1 (Perth October 10)	Corry	Keith	Schaefer	Marmach	Ackenley	Warren	Walsh	Abonyi*	Beatz	Beatz	Volet	Volets
5. v SOUTH AFRICA W2-1 (Perth October 14)	Corry	Keith	Schaefer	Marmach	Ackenley	Warren	Walsh	Abonyi*	Beatz	Beatz	Volet	Volets
6. v JAPAN W1-1 (Perth October 16)	Corry	Keith	Schaefer	Marmach	Ackenley	Warren	Walsh	Abonyi*	Beatz	Beatz	Volet	Volets
7. v SOUTH AFRICA D1-1 (Perth October 20)	Corry	Keith	Schaefer	Marmach	Ackenley	Warren	Walsh	Abonyi*	Beatz	Beatz	Volet	Volets
8. v JAPAN W1-0 (Melbourne November 23)	Corry	Keith	Schaefer	Marmach	Ackenley	Warren	Walsh	Abonyi*	Beatz	Beatz	Volet	Volets
9. v JAPAN W1-0 (Melbourne November 27)	Corry	Keith	Schaefer	Marmach	Ackenley	Warren	Walsh	Abonyi*	Beatz	Beatz	Volet	Volets
10. v JAPAN W1-0 (Melbourne November 29)	Corry	Keith	Schaefer	Marmach	Ackenley	Warren	Walsh	Abonyi*	Beatz	Beatz	Volet	Volets
11. v JAPAN W1-1 (Adelaide December 4)	Corry	Keith	Schaefer	Marmach	Ackenley	Warren	Walsh	Abonyi*	Beatz	Beatz	Volet	Volets
12. v JAPAN W1-1 (Adelaide December 10)	Corry	Keith	Schaefer	Marmach	Ackenley	Warren	Walsh	Abonyi*	Beatz	Beatz	Volet	Volets
1970												
1. v GERMANY B Co W8-2 (Adelaide April 25)	Corry	Yanger	Schaefer	Wilson	Penn	MacKay	Warren	Manuel	Abonyi**	McKinnon**	Volet	Volets
2. v GERMANY B Co W7-0 (Adelaide April 28)	Corry	Yanger	Schaefer	Wilson	Penn	Warren	MacKay	Guested	Aston*	McKinnon	Volet	Volets
3. v New Zealand W3-1 (Northam October 24)	Reilly	Curran	Wilson	Schaefer	Yanger	Warren*	Richards*	MacKay	Blue	Aston	Volet*	Reilly Basic
4. v New Zealand W1-0 (Northam October 25)	Reilly	Roche	Wilson	Schaefer	Yanger	Warren	Richards	Penn	Blue	Denton	Volet*	Basic
5. v JAPAN W3-0 (Perth October 30)	Reilly	Roche	Wilson	Schaefer	Yanger	MacKay	Warren	Blue*	Denton	Aston	Volet**	Basic
6. v Mexico W3-0 (Melbourne October 30)	Reilly	Roche	Wilson	Schaefer	W. Hams	Warren**	Richards	MacKay	Blue*	Denton	Volet*	Basic
7. v JAPAN W1-1 (Perth November 27)	Reilly	Roche	Wilson	Schaefer	Yanger	Warren	Richards	MacKay	Volet*	Denton	Aston	Basic
8. v JAPAN W1-1 (Perth November 4)	Reilly	Roche	Wilson	Schaefer	Yanger	MacKay	Warren	Blue	Denton	Denton	Volet*	Basic
9. v JAPAN W1-1 (Perth November 6)	Reilly	Roche	Wilson	Schaefer	Yanger	Warren	Richards	MacKay	Denton	Denton	Volet*	Basic

SOCCEROO APPEARANCES

APPEARANCES FOR AUSTRALIA AT NATIONAL TEAM LEVEL

up to & including v ISRAEL D1-1 (h), 1989.

Abbreviations of opponents' names:

ARG: ARGENTINA, ars: Arsenal (England), atk: Auckland XI (NZ), av: Aston Villa, bcas Bobby Charlton All Stars, bf: Benfica (Portugal), bgn: Bologna (Italy), bja Beijing (China), BR: BRAZIL, brn: Birmingham (England), BUL: BULGARIA, CA: CAMBODIA, cb: Combined Services, CH: CHILE, chb: Chile B, clt: Glasgow Celtic Scotland, CN: CHINA, cn: Canton (China), cns: Chinese selection, cr: Caroline Hill (Hongkong), crm: Canton Army (China), cs: Chelsea (England), csm: New York Cosmos (USA), CZ: CZECHOSLOVAKIA, dr: Dundee (Scotland), dyz: Dynamo Zagreb (Yug), E: ENGLAND, eb: England B, efa: English FA, EG: EAST GERMANY, EGPT EGYPT, ev: Everton (England), F: FRANCE, fcv: Ferencváros (Hungary), FJ: FIJI, int: Fiorentina (Italy), lsd: Fortuna Sittard (Holland), GR: GREECE, gr: Greece B, gbrg IFK Göteborg, hsb: Hamburg SV (W.Germany), iak: IAK Stockholm (Sweden), iar: Italian Army, IN: INDONESIA, IK: IRAQ, IR: IRAN, irk: Iraklis (Greece), IS: ISRAEL, J: JAPAN, jve: Juventus (Italy), jse: Jardine Sports Club, kl: Kuala Lumpur (Malaysia), K: KUWAIT, kbc: Kowloon, Buc: Borussia Dortmund (Germany), lw: Legia Warsaw (Poland), lct: Leicester (England), lt: Luton Town (England), lvi: League of Ireland, M: MEXICO, mcy: Manchester City (England), mcr: Manchester City XI, mc: Macao, mfm: Malmö (Sweden), mli: Milan (Italy), MOR: MOROCCO, mu: Manchester United (Eng), mt: Moscow Torpedo (USSR), MY: MALAYSIA, mbr: Middlesbrough (Eng), N: NORWAY, nc: New Caledonia, nf: Nottingham Forest, NG: NIGERIA, nh: New Hebrides, NI: NORTHERN IRELAND, NK: NORTH KOREA, NZ: NEW ZEALAND, ob: Oghab, pkg: Peking (China), pzn: Partizan Belgrade (Yug), PNG: PAPUA NEW GUINEA, PH: PHILIPPINES, psve: PSV Eindhoven (Holl), rst: Red Star Belgrade (Yug), ro: Roma (Italy), RH: RHODESIA, rg: Glasgow Rangers (Scot), sas: South Aust All Stars, SCOTLAND, st: Santos (Brazil), sg: St.Gallen (Switzerland), skb: South Korea B, SK: SOUTH KOREA, SI: SINGAPORE, sib: Singapore B, shd: Shandong (China), shu: Sunderland (England), shg: Shanghai (China), shmr: Shamrock Rovers (Ire), SV: SOUTH VIETNAM, sva: South Vietnam Army, svu: South Vietnam U23s, SDA: SAUDI ARABIA, tjj: Tianjin (China), TW: TAIWAN, tht: Tahiti, THA: THAILAND, th: Teheran XI, ts: Tottenham Hotspur, tbc: Taipei Bank (China), U: URUGUAY, ud: Udinese (Italy), USSR: SOVIET UNION, vas: Victorian All Stars, vdg: Vasco da Gama (Brazil), vm: Velez Mostar (Yug), wsk: Wisla Krakow (Poland), ww: Wolves (England), wa: Western Australia, WG: WEST GERMANY, xn: Xamax Neuchâtel (Switz), Y: YOUNG BOYS (Switzerland).



ABONYI

Key: 1st figure after player's name denotes number of appearances, 2nd figure denotes number of goals scored.

ABONYI Atti 89. 36 gls.

1967: S. NZ***. SV. SI***. MY. SK*. IN*. SI***. cb**. MY*.

1969: GR*. GR. GR. J. SK. J. SK. RH. RH. RH. IS. IS.

1971: efa. efa.

1972: dn. vv*. st. IN(s). NZ*.

svu. SV. SK. PH*.

1973: BUL(s). NZ(s). IK(s). IN**.

IR*. IR. SK. SK. SK.

1974: fcv. fcv(s). auk. U. IN(s).

IS(s). sg. yb(s)*. xn(s).

WG(s). CH.

1976: NZ*. ts. snd*. snd. hrt*. bgn(s)*. iar. HK*. IN*. SI(s).

HK*. cns**. CN. IS.

hsv. psve. snd(s). brn*.

1977: rst*. rst. rst. IS. IS. TW*.

TW*. NZ. NZ. mbr. cit. SK(s).

K(s). SK. HK*. SI*. K. IR.

ACKERLEY Stan 30.

1965: NK. CA. iak. SN. MY. MY.

1967: NZ. SV. SI. MY. SK. IN.

IN. SI. cb. MY.

1968: J. J. J.

1969: GR. GR. GR. J. SK. J. SK.

RH. RH. IS. IS.

ADAM Jim 1.

1964: ev.

AHEARN Glen 2.

1981: IN. TW.

AINSLIE Alan 4. 1 Gl.

1971: IS. IS*. IS.

1976: HK.

ALSTON Adrian 62. 17 Gl.

1968: J.

1969: RH. RH(s).

1970: kbc***. sva*. nc. jsc. ob.

IR(s)*. th. IS. hp. GR*. gr*.

lt*. mcr. lor. M.

1971: efa. efa. IS*. IS. IS.

1972: dn*. vv. vv. st. IN. NZ(s).

svu(s). SV. SK(s). SK. PH.

1973: BUL. BUL(s). NZ. IK**.

IN*. NZ. IK. IN. IR*. IR.

SK. SK(s). SK(s).

1974: fcv(s). fcv. U(s). IN. IS.

sg(s)***. yb. xn. EG. WG. CH.

1977: K. SK(s). SI. IR.



ALSTON

ANDERSON John 8. 1 Gl.

1965: cs. sc. NK. NK. CA(s).

HK. iak*. MY.

ARMSTRONG Jim 4. 2 Gl.

1970: kbc(s)*.

1972: NZ. SV(s). SK*.

ARNOLD Graham 54. 23 Gl.

1985: rst(s). rst*. rst*. rst(s)*.

cns. cns*. TW*. TW.

1986: CZ(s)*. CZ. CZ. vas. NZ*.

NZ*. sas. CN*. shd*.

1987: ev. MOR. chb*. shmr.

skb*. EGPT. SK*. NZ. NZ.

TW**.

1988: gbrg. dyz*. dyz. TW**.

IS. NZ. IS. NZ. TW*. BR.

SDA. ARG. BR. Y. BR.

NG. USSR. NZ. NZ. FJ.

FJ*.

1989: mfm. mfm*. NZ**. IS. NZ. IS.



ARMSTRONG



ARNOLD

BAARTZ Ray 59. 21 Gl.

1967: S. S*. NZ*. SV. SI*. MY*.

SK. IN*. IN. MY.

1968: J. J*. J.

1969: GR. GR*. GR. J*. SK. J.

SK*. RH. RH. RH. IS. IS.

1971: efa. efa. IS. IS. IS*.

1972: dn. vv. vv**. st*. IN*.

NZ(s)*. svu. SV. SK. SK*.

1973: BUL. BUL*. BUL. NZ. IK.

IN. NZ*. IK. IN*. IR. IR.

SK. SK*. SK.

1974: fcv. fcv. auk. U. U*.

BANOVIC Yaka 8.

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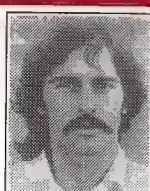
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BAARTZ



BANOVIC



BARNES

BARNES Murray 49. 9 Gl.

1975: CN. USSR(s). USSR.

USSR. USSR*. USSR.

1976: vm*. NZ. NZ*. ts. snd(s).

hrt*. bgn. HK. HK.

SI. ksvb.

1977: IS(s). FJ. bcas*. HK*. ars.

clt*. rst. IR. SK. K.

1978: GR. gr*.

1979: wsk. pzn.

1980: NI. M. M. GR*. eb. frt. lct.

dyz. IS. HK. IN.

1981: dyz. NZ. NZ. IN. TW.

FJ*. FJ.

BARNETT Graham 1.

1964: ev.

BAUMGARTNER Leo 1.

1964: ev.

BAXTER Stuart 1.

1979: pzn.

BELL Ritchie 8. 2 Gl.

1975: bgn*. bgn. iar. HK. IN. cns*.

hsv. hrt*.

BERNAL Andrew 1.

1989: mfm(s).

BEVES Brett 1.

1981: cr(s).

BENNETT Col 55. 1 Gl.

1975: lw. lw. rg. rg. mu. CN. bf.

USSR. USSR. USSR.

USSR. USSR. USSR.

1976: vm. NZ. NZ. ts. snd. snd.

HK. SI. HK. CN. IS.

hsv(s). psve. ksvb.

snd. brn.

1977: rst. rst. rst. IS. IS. TW.

TW. FJ. NZ. NZ. mbr.

bcas. HK. ars. clt. rst. IR.

SK. K. SK. HK*. SI. K. IR.

1978: GR. gr.

BERTOOGNA Arno 14.

1979: pzn. shg. crm. tbc. TW.

1980: CZ. CZ. nc. PNG. tht.

GR(s). eb(s). lct. dyz(s)



BENNETT

BLAIR Steve 24. 1 Gl.

1980: nc(s). nh.

1981: dyz. NZ. NZ. IN. TW. FJ.

FJ. IN. TW. cr.

1982: IN. MY. SK.

1983: NZ. NZ.

1984: rg. rg. rg(s). rg*. nf. rk. irk.

BLITZ Ray 8. 1 Gl.

1965: cs*. cs. NK. CA. iak.

TW. MY.

1968: J.

BLUE Archie 12. 4 Gl.

1965: cs. NK. CA(s). iak. TW***.

MY. MY.

1967: S. S(s).

1968: J(s)*. J. J.



BERTOOGNA



BLAIR

BLUES George 16. 3 Gl.

1970: nc. nc. jsc*. mc*. IR. th(s).

IS. hp. GR*. gr. lt. mcr. lor. M.

1971: efa. efa.

BODEN Ken 25. 7 Gl.

1979: wsk(s). pzn. csm. shd*. pkg*.

shg*. crm. TW.

1980: E. NI(s). NI(s). M*. M. GR. eb.

frt. lct**. dyz. IS. HK. IN.

1981: dyz. NZ*. NZ(s).

BOYLE Peter 1.

1980: CZ(s).

BOZANIC Vic 4. 1 Gl.

1980: nc. PNG. nh. tht(s)*.

BOZINOSKI Vlado 5. 1 Gl.

1988: BR(s). SDA(s). ARG.

BR(s). Y(s).

BROWN Doug 5. 2 Gl.

1984: rg. rg*. nf. irk(s). irk*.

BROWN Rod 7.

1985: ts(s). ud(s). vdg(s). rst. rst(s).

1987: NZ(s). NZ(s).

BRUSASCO Mark 3.

1980: PNG(s). nh(s). tht(s).

SOCCEROO APPEARANCES

BULJEVIC Branko 30. 11 Gls
1972: IN** NZ(s). svu**.
SV* SK PH*.
1973: BUL* BUL BUL NZ.
IK. IN(s). NZ* IK. IN. SK. SK*.
1974: fcv. fcv(s). U. IN. IS. yb.
xn. EG. WG. CH.
1975: lw. lw. bf**.



BODÉN



BULJEVIC

BUTLER Terry 4. 1 Gl.
1972: WV. nz. PH(s)*.
1975: rg.

BYRNE Gary 55. 1 Gl.
1975: CN(s). bf. USSR. USSR.
USSR. USSR. USSR(s).
1976: snd(s). snd(s). bgn. bfn. iar.
HK(s). IN(s). SI. cns. CN. IS.
hsv. psve. ksvb. snd. brm.
1977: rst. rst. IS. IS. TW. TW. FJ.
NZ. NZ. mbr. cit. SK(s). SK.
HK. SI. K. IR.
1978: gr. GR.
1979: NZ. pzn. mln.
1981: TW*. FJ. FJ.
1982: THL. IN. MY. SK.
1983: NZ. NZ.



BUTLER



BYRNE

CALDERAN Steve 5.
1981: cr(s).
1989: mlm. NZ. IS. NZ.

CAMPANA Ricardo 1.
1965: ro.

CAMPBELL Ernie 24. 3 Gls.
1971: IS(s).
1973: BUL(s). BUL. BUL. NZ(s)*.
IK(s). IN* SK(s).
1974: fcv. sg. yb(s). xn. WG.
1975: lw. lw. rg. rg. mu. USSR.
USSR. USSR*. USSR.
USSR. USSR.

CAMPBELL Jim 8. 1 Gl.
1980: CZ(s). CZ(s). mln.
1983: wa(s). kl(s). sib(s). THA(s). SI(s)*



E. CAMPBELL



J. CAMPBELL

CANT Jim 15. 3 Gls.
1983: E. E. E. wa. THA. SK*. SI.
1984: mu. rg(s). nf. jve(s). jve*.
jve(s). irk(s)*. irk.

CARTER Paul 1.
1985: cns(s).

CHRISTOPOULOS George 13. 1 Gl.
1978: gr(s).
1980: CZ(s). CZ. nc. PNG. nh. tht. M.
1982: IN. MY. SK*.
1983: NZ. NZ.

CLARKE Todd 34.
1975: CN. bf. USSR. USSR. USSR.
USSR. USSR.
1976: vm. NZ. NZ. ts. snd. HK. HK.
HK. cns. CN. IS. hsv. psve.
ksvb. SI(s). snd. brm.
1977: rst. rst. IS. IS. TW.
TW. NZ. NZ.
1978: gr.

COLE Gary 38. 21 Gls.
1978: GR*.
1979: pzn*. pzn(s). shd(s)*. pkg(s).
shg. tnj(s). crm(s). tbk*. TW(s)*.
1980: CZ. CZ. CZ(s). mln*. E*. NI. N.
M*. GR*. eb. fnt. lct(s). dyz. IS*.
HK. IN(s).
1981: dyz. NZ(s). IND.
FJ** FJ*****.
1982: TH*. MY(s)*.
1984: rg(s). rg. rg. nf(s). irk.



CLARKE



COLE

COLUSSO Dennis 1. 1 Gl.
1981: cr(s)*.

COLUSSO Rene 2.
1975: CN. bf(s).

COOK Billy 9.
1965: cs. NK. HK. iak. CN. MY. MY.
1967: S. S.

CORRY Ron 33.
1967: SI. MY. SK. IN. SI. MY.
1968: J. J.
1969: GR. GR. GR. J. SK. J. SK. RH.
RH. RH. IS. IS.
1970: kbs. sva.
1972: vv. st. NZ. svu. SK.
1973: BUL. BUL. NZ. IK. IN. NZ.

COYNE John 9.
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tbk(s). TW(s).
1980: CZ. CZ. M(s).

CRINO Oscar 71. 12 Gls.
1981: IN. TW. cr.

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mc(s). nf(s). rg. psve(s). av(s).
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rst. vas. NZ. CN*. IS. IS. TW.
TW*. NZ. S. S.
1987: ev(s). MOR(s). chb. shmr.
skb(s)*. fsd. EGPT. SK. NZ.
NZ(s). TW(s).
1988: gtbgr. dyz. dyz. TW. IS. TW*.
NZ*. IS. NZ. TW. BR. SDA. BR.
Y. BR. NG. USSR. NZ*. NJ. FJ. FJ.
1989: mlm. NZ. IS. NZ. IS.



COYNE



CRINO

CROOK Martyn 13.
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1981: FJ.
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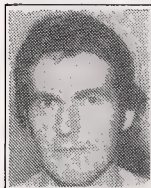
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CUMMINGS Duncan 3.
1975: CN(s). bf.
1976: HK.

CURRAN Col 35. 1 Gl.
1970: nc. IR(s). IS. hp. GR. gr.
It. mcr. M.
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WG. CH.
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1979: NZ.

DAVIDSON Alan 74. 3 gls.
1980: CZ(s). nc. PNG. nh. tht. NI(s).
GR. eb. fnt. lct. dyz.
IS. HK. IN.
1981: dyz*. NZ. NZ. IN*. TW. FJ. FJ.
1982: THL. IN. MY. SK.
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irk. irk.
1985: CH. IS. IS. NZ. S. S.
1987: ev. chb. skb. fsd. SK. NZ.
1988: gtbgr. dyz. TW*. IS. TW. BR.
SDA. ARG. BR. Y. BR. NG.
USSR. NZ. NZ. FJ. FJ.
1989: mlm. mlm. NZ. IS. NZ. IS.



CURRAN



DAVIDSON

DAVIES John 5.
1976: HK.
1978: gr(s). gr.
1979: pzn(s). pzn(s).

DEGNEY Paul 4.
1979: wsk. NZ. pzn.
1980: mln.

DeLYSTER Ted 4.
1967: IN(s). IN. SI(s). CB.

DE MARIGNY Jean Paul 3.
1987: chb. fsd. TWN(s).

DENTON Mike 14. 6 Gls.
1970: nc(s). nc. jsc. mc***. ob. IR.
th**. IS. gr(s). gr. It*. mcr. lor. M.

DOYLE John 7. 2 Gls.
1970: nc(s). nc(s)*. MC(s). ob(s). th*.
IS(s). lor.

DUNN Robbie 38. 4 Gls.
1985: ud. rst. vas(s). cns. cns. NZ(s).
IS(s). TW**. TW. S(s). S.
1986: CZ. CZ. CZ. vas*. NZ. NZ.
CN. shd.
1987: ev*. chb. shmr. skb. fsd. EGPT.
SK. NZ. NZ. TW.
1988: gtbgr. BR. SDA. ARG. BR. Y.
BR. NG. USSR.

EATON Terry 1.
1977: mbr.

EDWARDS Trevor 3.
1964: ev. ev.
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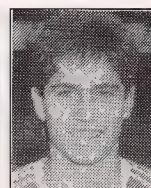
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1984: rg. rg*. rg. rg(s). nf(s). irk. irk.
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rg*. psve(s). av(s). ts.

FARINA Frank 63. 14 Gls.
1984: nf(s). rg(s). nf. jve(s). jve.
jve(s). irk(s). irk(s). CN(s). bfg.
shg. cn(s). mc(s). nf(s). rg.
psve. av. ud. ts(s).
1985: vdg(s). vas(s)*. cns. cns.
CH(s). TW(s). TW. S(s).

1986: CZ(s). CZ(s). vas. NZ. NZ.
CN. shd.
1987: ev. MOR*. chb(s). shmr*.
skb**. EGPT. SK. NZ. NZ. TW*.
1988: gtbgr. dyz. dyz*. TW. IS*.
TW(s). NZ*. IS. NZ(s)*. TW*.
BR. SDA**. ARG. BR. Y*. BR.
USSR.
1989: IS. IS.



DUNN



FARINA

FRANKEN Anthony 11.
1984: rg. rg. rg. nf. irk. bfg. ts.
1985: cns(s).
1986: vas(s). sas(s). cn.

FRASER Jim 10.
1973: BUL. IK. IN. IR. IR.
SK. SK. SK.
1974: fcv. fcv.

FUZES Peter 2.
1967: S. S.

GIACOMETTI John 4.
1965: ro.
1967: S(s). S. S(s).

GIAMPAOLO Sebastian 2.
1978: gr.
1981: NZ(s).

GIBSON Mike 7.
1985: cns(s).
1986: cn(s).
1987: shmr. fsd.
1988: gtbgr(s). TW.
1989: mlm(s).



FRANKEN



GIBSON

GILES Ron 3.
1965: CA. MY(s).
1967: S.

GNAVI Rudi 1.
1975: USSR(s).

GOMEZ Gerry 2.
1985: ts. vdg.

GRAY Ian 19. 2 Gls.
1984: nf(s). nf(s). CN(s). bfg. shg.
mc*. nf. rg. av. ud. ts(s).
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TW(s)*.
1986: CZ(s). CZ(s).

GREEDY Terry 38.
1983: E. E. E. wa. kl. CN. sib. THA.
SK. SI.
1984: nf. rg. nf. jve. jve. jve. irk. CN.
cn. mc. nf. rg. av. ars.
1985: ts. vdg. vdg. rst. rst. vas. NZ.
CH. IS. IS. TW. NZ. S. S.



GRAY



GREEDY

GROSSE Brendan 3.
1975: lw(s). rg(s). mu(s).



Reporter Frank Coletta takes a behind the scenes look at the runaway National League Leader...

MARCONI

warts 'n all

Marconi opened such a big gap at the top of the National League table in May that it virtually killed off the doubters who claimed that the club's 1988 success was more by good luck than good management.

Marconi coach Berti Mariani scoffs at those who still harbor thoughts that his side was lucky.

"Football is all about adaptability. We have the ability to do it better than most," he says.

"That was clearly the case last season.

"We knew, as we know this year, that the play-offs were the games that counted and we played accordingly.

"Sure we had a slump but come finals' time, we were better prepared than the rest."

Mariani cites his squad's flexibility as a prime example of top level preparation.

"Marconi has always had a particular attacking style and each player who comes to the club is made aware that he has to fit into the system."

That is the way Marconi has overcome the potentially crippling blow of losing Frank Farina.

"You don't actually replace someone like Frank, but you try to make sure that the side isn't hampered by the loss.

"We were well prepared though. We'd already secured the services of Fred DeJong from New Zealand at the beginning of 1988, because Frank was set to transfer to Roda in Holland.

"When that move fell through it had a double edged effect. "He asserted himself in Australia with another good season to win a more lucrative contract with Club Brugge in Belgium and it allowed Fred the chance to settle in without pressure.

"I think it is paying dividends even though Fred has his knockers."

After less than two years in the top flight, Mariani has already been promoted to assistant of national coach Frank Arok.

"It was an intriguing learning experi-

ence. Frank asked me to lend a hand and I was only too pleased to assist."

Marconi celebrated its 30th anniversary in 1988 by taking out both the NSL senior and youth titles.

Mariani and his men have a lot to live up to after such a season.

But the coach doesn't believe it has been causing undue stress and demands on him and his players.

"No real pressure is on us to repeat last year's efforts.

"Marconi has always had a commitment to entertaining football, playing open and attacking - this is what is most important.

"Scoring goals is the key to success and ultimately winning. As long as the commitment, attitude and the application is right, then we'll do well."

Mariani's coaching methods appear to play little emphasis on the opposition.

Club captain Steve Calderan says, "When it comes to what happens out on the field, Bertie isn't overly stringent.

"He reminds us that we are experienced enough to know what we are doing and what is required.

"Sure we've got a game plan but we aren't given strict guidelines on what to do.

"We're given a pretty free rein to express ourselves out on the park."

Calderan is the only current Australian international at Marconi.

Marconi's supporters love-to-hate Socceroo supremo Frank Arok because he has overlooked the club's players and they display their feelings to the St George coach every time he visits Bossley Park.

Already Ian Gray and Jean Paul de Marigny have stated their unwillingness to wear the green and gold under the Arok regime.

Gray in particular has been outspoken on the matter.

"He (Arok) knows he treated me badly. I was in and out of the Australian side for six years, he wasted my time.

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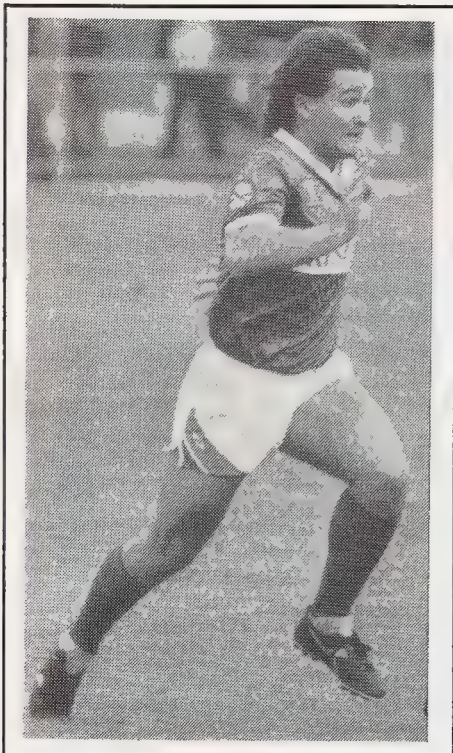
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David Lowe

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"I was constantly called into the squad and then dumped when he felt like it.

"That was no good to me and that's why I told him I wasn't interested any more.

"My form warranted first team selection plenty of times, but he didn't think so because he didn't like me.

"He only chose me in the Socceroo squad to get the press off his back."

Whilst there are several Marconi players disappointed at not getting a chance in the Socceros, there is also a hint of discontent from a couple of fringe first graders within Marconi.

Striker Geoff Gunning is particularly disillusioned.

"I hate playing youth league. I'm not getting a chance in the firsts at all. It's hardly fair and I reckon it sucks," Gunning said.

Mariani doesn't dodge the question of players' discontent.

"It's inevitable. Everyone wants a game but there is no place for favoritism.

"No coach can afford to have favorites and expect to keep winning.

"I understand that some players might be disappointed but I'm an advocate of not changing winning combinations.

"If you do, then you're asking for trouble.

"It's enough to say that each first grader knows he has to perform week in, week out to keep his place.

"We've got each position covered



Paul Carter

with a ready made capable replacement."

The Marconi faithful are once again getting used to success and expect it to continue. They can be a fickle lot at times but Mariani is not fazed.

"All supporters want to see their team do well and win. Ours aren't any different and I don't think they've had too much to complain about of late.

"But we don't go out expecting success. That breeds complacency.

"There is a difference between expecting something and actually going and getting it."

Marconi's first loss at home this season was 0-2 against St George in round 14.

"That disappointed me," admitted Mariani.

"We should have done much better considering we know that every side comes to the Marconi Stadium to defend and scrape a draw.

"Full marks to St George though. They achieved their intention of catching us on the counter.

"A couple of fundamental errors led to their two goals. We totally dominated proceedings but for once, couldn't do the work in the area where it counts - goalscoring."

As for that loss proving the catalyst for a dramatic lapse in form, Mariani said, "That was a one-off. We won three straight games after that and in all fairness to my side, four of the players carried injuries into the game against Saints."

Zlatko Nastevski has been a revela-



Vince Colagiuri

tion for the champion club but could not find a place in the Marconi line-up against St George when returning from injury.

"Nasti" had no qualms about not getting picked.

"If the team wins without me, then I should not be in next time."

Fortunately Nastevski didn't have ill effects after his lay-off through groin and ankle problems. Two goals in the next couple of games proved that.

One of Mariani's main concerns is that injuries often cut down the best of clubs.

"We've battled on. Most players carry niggling knocks into matches but it is important to stay as healthy as possible to mount a title challenge.

"As for the total depth of the squad, we are four top line players down from last year in my opinion.

"The squad consists of 14 fully fledged first graders with three or four youngsters on the fringe. You can never say what is the ideal number. Sydney Olympic has a squad of 22 for instance.

"When you are playing five games in a fortnight, you are almost certain to have injuries.

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"Some players like Fred DeJong can't go a game without being hurt and he needs a week to get rid of the knocks.

"Your sharpness suffers as a result."

On injuries, Mariani has distinct views on how Australian players cope compared to their overseas counterparts?

"Experts say that the game here is semi professional, but in many ways our players are even more professional than those overseas, especially when it comes to treating injuries.

"Full time professionals are treated daily and pampered and taken care of.

"In Australia, a player has to know how to look after himself - he has to go to work and still do everything else on his own before coming to training. It's a hard situation."

Frank Coletta writes for the Fairfax Newspaper Group in Sydney.



HOW MARCONI WON THE 1988 NSL

Final Table	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Wollongong	13	8	5	44	32	34
Syd Croatia	15	4	7	38	30	34
South Melb	13	8	5	36	29	34
Marconi	12	8	6	46	26	32
S Olympic	9	9	8	28	22	27
Adelaide C	10	7	9	36	35	27
S Geo Cros	11	5	10	38	39	27
St George	10	6	10	41	35	26
Melb Croat	9	6	11	28	33	24
Footscray	7	9	10	34	32	23
Apia Lchdt	8	7	11	28	35	23
Preston Mak	5	12	9	29	35	22
Bwck Juve	7	5	14	31	43	19
Brisb Lions	4	4	18	28	59	12

NSL Championship Play-offs

Preliminary Semi-Final
 SYDNEY CROATIA 2
 (Ingham 72' Jones 97')
 SOUTH MELBOURNE 1
 (Postecoglou pen 38'). after extra time.

Elimination Semi-Final
 MARCONI 3
 (Katholos 82' Nastevski 105' 115')
 SYDNEY OLYMPIC 1
 (Patalis 17'). after extra time.

Minor Semi-Final
 SOUTH MELBOURNE 1
 (Wright 67')
 MARCONI 2 (Gray 69' Colagiuri 95'). after extra time.

Major Semi-Final
 WOLLONGONG 0
 SYDNEY CROATIA 0.
 after extra time. Sydney Croatia won 4-3 on penalties.
Penalty Scorers: Arnold, Slater, Brockbank, Jones (scr). Crainie, Skeen, Ratcliffe (w).

Preliminary Final
 WOLLONGONG 0
 MARCONI 2
 (Lowe 54' Farina 57').

Grand Final
 MARCONI 2
 (Calderan 39' Nastevski pen 117')
 SYDNEY CROATIA 2
 (Hunter 57' Lamond 108'). after extra time.
 Marconi won 5-4 on penalties.

Penalty scorers: Gray, Farina, Katholos, Nastevski, Henderson (m). Arnold, Jennings, Jones, Hunter.
 4-9-88. Parramatta Stadium, Sydney.

MARCONI: Bob Catlin. Paul Carter. Tony Henderson. Steve Calderan. Matteo Colucci (Robbie Wheatley 15'). Ian Gray. Gerry Gomez (sent off 65'). Zlatko Nastevski. Peter Katholos. David Lowe (Fred de Jong 104'). Frank Farina. Coach: Bertie Mariani.

MARCONI

1988 Appearances and substitute appearances (goals).

Calderan Steve	.....28+1 (2).
Carter Paul	.....22+4.
Catlin Bob	.....28.
Colagiuri Vince	.....1+4 (1).
Colucci Matteo	.....9.
De Jong Fred	.....18+3 (3).
Farina Frank	.....24 (17).
Gomez Gerry	.....25+2 (3).
Gray Ian	.....26 (6).
Gunning Geoff	.....6+13.
Henderson	.....Tony 27+1.
James Bruce	.....2.
Katholos Peter	.....9+6 (1).
Krnecvic Eddie	.....1.
Lowe David	.....15+5 (4).
Mariani Bertiech	.....30.
Mason Craig	.....13.
McCulloch Tom	.....22+1 (2).
Nastevski Zlat21+3 (14).
Rizzotto Joe5+1.
Sharne Peter+2.
Surjan Anthony2.
Wheatley Robbie26+2 (2).





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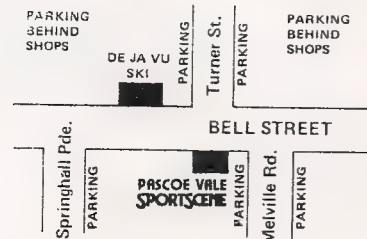
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THUMBS UP



1 **Zeljko ADZIC** Melbourne Croatia.

Has been the revelation of the season, scoring goals as well as showing the ability to get out of tight situations, provide intelligent first time passes and adapt to different roles. Fully deserves to be our first award winner.



2 **Zlatko NASTEVSKI** Marconi.

The goals have made him the outright NSL top scorer, but he is even more appreciated by his teammates because of his ability to open up play with telling passes and his ability to provide options by drifting into spaces on the blind side. He tops it off with a great attitude towards the game.



3 **Milan IVANOVIC** Adelaide City.

In just three short months he is already close to edging out Dixie Deans as the best import Adelaide City has brought to Australia in 12 years of NSL. Commanding central defender who has been a big factor behind Adelaide City keeping clean sheets in 10 games since he arrived. His English is still limited but he is proof that soccer knows no language barriers.



4 **Robert IRONSIDE** Sydney Olympic.

Olympic has run hot-and-cold in form but he has been the one player who has been the model of consistency in the team and coach Eddie Thomson has gone on record saying that Ironside is the first player he picks in the team every week. Not even the constant change of positions from midfield to the backline and emergency striker has fazed him



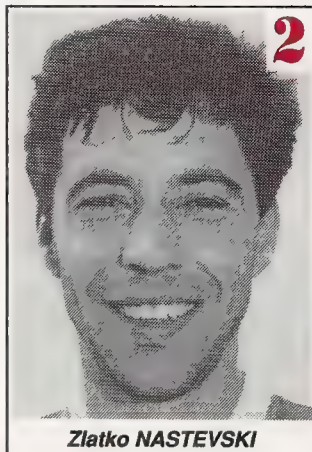
Zeljko ADZIC

- and the proof is that he has become Olympic's leading scorer.



5 **Phil TRAIANEDES** Preston Makedonia.

In June he will play his 100th consecutive NSL game for Preston - virtually four seasons without missing a game. He went through a rough period in a struggling side last season but has rediscovered his best form and coach Andon Donceviski has recommended him for the Socceroos saying Traianedes is among the three best keepers in the country.



Zlatko NASTEVSKI



6 **Zlatko ARAMBASIC** Blacktown City.

Has become the first player from the 1989 Young Socceroos squad to nail down a regular spot in the NSL (John Markovski is classed among the 87 Young Socceroos). A very mobile and direct striker not afraid to take players on. He has netted goals in a side which is struggling - and is bound to be even better once Blacktown finds its feet in the NSL.



7 **Paul TRIMBOLI** South Melbourne.

In May became the fifth player to register a hattrick in the 1989 NSL campaign with his three goals in a 4-3 win over Melbourne JUST. Superb finishing, ability to turn in tight situations and very hard to knock off the ball. No wonder so many players are saying he will become one of Australia's best ever strikers.



8 **John GARDINER** Sunshine George Cross.



Milan IVANOVIC

Took charge of his 100th game as coach of the club this season. But he earns his award for the way he handled a losing streak by working away on his players instead of rushing into the transfer market. George Cross may not win many honors but is fast becoming the club which produces and develops the most in young talent. Gardiner and his coaching staff are directly responsible for that.

many for someone who obviously came to Australia for a hol-

THUMBS DOWN to...



Jim MAIN Reporter, Sunday Observer.

Main has written for many years about Australian Rules football. Now working as a columnist, he watched our game for a few fleeting minutes on the telly and instantly declared himself an expert on the ills of soccer in this country. His rambling article brought a flood of complaining letters to his paper. He doesn't deserve less than our first ever red card.



Peter BARNES soccer playing nomad. The former England

international harmed his reputation by refusing to get involved in the serious stuff of helping Melbourne JUST in its fight against relegation. He persisted in playing in a wide position despite the coach's instructions and steered well clear of tackles, team play and anything involving contact. He played in two NSL games before getting sent home - but they were two games too.



Harry MICHAELS executive manager Wollongong.

A passionate soccer man willing to back the game with his hard earned money. But hardly qualified to judge players (Walter Calabrese and Ernesto Lorca) and decide to get rid of them after only two games. The decision on which players to import and whether to keep them should have been left to the coach.



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 Brett Hughes, Bob Cablin, Fred De Jong, Anthony Sullivan, Nick Sokoloff (keeper's coach), Eddie Mathan (coach).
 Kneeling: (L to right) Paul Carter, Matteo Colucci, Peter Katholos, Ian Gray, Geoff Gunning, Robert Whalley,
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EDI'S ADVICE

By **PETER DESIRA**,
soccer writer for *The Sun News Pictorial*, Melbourne.

HOW does one become a professional soccer player earning big money from the rich European clubs?

The thousands of junior players who put on their boots and stroll out for a game every weekend dream one day of playing in the colors of Liverpool, Juventus or Real Madrid.

Several make the trip overseas every year for a tryout but find the professional scene far less glamorous than they imagined and - more often than not - return to Australia worse off for the experience of having gone and failed.

Edi Krncevic is one who has succeeded in a big way and has now exceeded Craig Johnston as Australian soccer's best ever export.

\$1.5 MILLION

KRNCEVIC is transferring from Anderlecht in Belgium to newly promoted French first division club Mulhouse for \$1.5 million and will get a similar sum in a signing-on fee for his new three year contract.

Before signing for Mulhouse, he also had talks with well known French giant club Bordeaux, but the newly promoted club appeared to attract his family more because of its proximity to the Swiss border.

KRNCEVIC almost moved to France last year after attracting interest from Monaco and Paris St Germain but he decided to stay for a third season with Anderlecht after he helped the club to win the Belgian Cup last season.

Anderlecht offered him a big increase in wages and signing-on fee. The trimmings of the new contract included a high class luxury apartment in Brussels and a brand new Porsche.

EXCLUSIVE

Edi Krncevic

THERE will be similar luxuries in France, but Krncevic remembers the hard times as he clawed his way to the top and freely hands out valuable advice to ambitious young Australian players who want to play professionally.

"Any player who wants to try Europe should go over when he is 17 or 18 - but he should forget about it if he is only going to give it a try for six months," Krncevic said.

"It may take three to four years before you establish yourself. But if you go over at the right time, you would still be only 22 or 23 and have a good career in front of you once you're established.

"It took me six years to hit the top and I believe I went over too late as a 21 year old."

"TOP SCORER"

KRNCEVIC was born in Geelong and learnt his soccer in Melbourne.

He broke into the senior ranks as a 17 year old with Melbourne Croatia then played for Marconi in the National Soccer League.

He had represented Australia 33 times before going to leading Yugoslav club Dinamo Zagreb in 1981.

After two years at Zagreb he moved to West German second division club Duisburg for six months and then on to Belgium with Cercle Bruges for two seasons before being signed by Anderlecht in 1986 for \$220,000.

At Anderlecht he won a league championship as well as the Belgian Cup winners' medal and earned a rating as one of the best central strikers in Europe after scoring 75 goals. He was the 1989 top scorer with 22 goals.

LUCK plays a part in a successful career according



Edi Krncevic tussles with Yehula Amar in the World Cup tie against Israel in Sydney

to Krncevic but he says his willpower was the main reason why he made it.

"There was a time in Germany when I was going to quit but my strong mentality and determination kept me going," he said.

"I believe I'm a winner and that is something that a lot of Australian boys have inbuilt in them.

"But we also have too good a lifestyle in Australia and we haven't got the hunger that comes naturally for youngsters in Europe who have only got football (to make it in life).

"They (the Australians) give in to the (colder) weather and tend to be too sensitive to what the coaches say to them. You simply have to go out there (on the training park) and overcome the problems."

KRNCEVIC says that Australians are making a mistake seeking trials mainly in England.

"If you go to England you can't hope to progress that much. English football is two steps behind the rest of Europe. I know English players won't like me saying that, but it is true and even their media is saying it nowadays.

"I was brought up on the English style of soccer in Melbourne and went over to Dinamo Zagreb as an established Australian international.

"But from the start Dinamo kept me back after the normal sessions and had a trainer always with me training me for an hour just doing ball skills.

"Australian youngsters should veer away from Britain and start looking at

France, Belgium, West Germany, Spain or Italy, although the latter would be very difficult."

ONCE he established himself as a top marksman and started attracting attention, Krncevic set himself a target to make the 1988-89 season a big year.

"I hoped I would have a good year and aimed to score as many goals as possible. I set myself a 25 goal target just in the league without counting cup goals and I didn't fall too far short," he said.

"My intentions over the past few years have been to eventually play in France. I almost signed for Paris St Germain last year because they showed interest once Tomislav Ivic became coach. He is a coach who knows me and tried to sign me in the past.

"But I felt that it was not the right time for the move. This coming season is and I've been helped in my decision by the arrival of Aad De Mos as the new coach of Anderlecht from Mechelen (the Belgian champions). De Mos said I was not in his concept, not in his first team plan. And I don't want to sit on the bench.

EDI KRNCEVIC FACT FILE

Born: 14 August 1960. Married to Margaret. Son: Jesse (4 years old). Parents Miro and Augustina live in Doncaster, suburb of Melbourne.

KRNCEVIC'S AUSTRALIAN CAREER DETAILS:

Melbourne Croatia:
VSF State League:
1977: 16 games, 2 goals.
1978: 9 games, 8 goals.
Marconi:
National Soccer League:
1979: 26 games, 13 goals.
1980: 23 games, 13 goals.
1981: 28 games, 4 goals.
Played in the Young Socceroos in the 1979 World Youth Championship qualifiers in Paraguay.
Senior Socceroo debut vs New Zealand 1979.
Played 35 games for Australia between 1979 and 1989.

KRNCCEVIC turns 29 in August but is far from ready to start thinking about retirement.

"I think I'm pretty fit and believe that if I don't get injured I could play professionally for another three or four years till I'm 32.

"I'm not running as much as when I was younger but that is mainly because I'm making my runs at the right time.

"I used to do a lot of running to the right and to the left and in the end didn't have the sprint to be in the box at the right time.

"It took me a couple of years to learn how to open up the defence but also to have enough to be there (in the penalty box) at the right time."

KRNCCEVIC was in Australia to visit his parents during the Belgian close season in 1988 and during his time here, patched up his differences with Australian national coach Frank Arok.

The striker had not played for the Socceroos since Arok took charge in 1983. Arok asked him to attend a training camp while he was here for a holiday once before but Krncevic got stranded at Melbourne airport because of a strike and the pair drifted apart after that, only exchanging broadsides through the media.

The pair came face to face for the first time in June 88 in a meeting arranged by Marconi coach Bertie Mariani, who is a former teammate of Krncevic and still is a personal friend. Arok and Krncevic sorted out their differences in a matter of five minutes and the striker announced afterwards he would be able to get a release from Anderlecht to

play in the vital World Cup qualifying matches against Israel.

He played a vital part in the 1-1 draw in Tel Aviv then came to Australia for his first international on home soil in seven years for the return game against the Israelis. The Socceroos needed to win the match but could only manage another 1-1 draw and got bundled out of the World Cup qualifiers.

Krncevic recognises that match signalled the end of his international career.

"It's sad because after such a long time out of the national team, I really looked forward to playing in the green and gold again. I could think of nothing else for the fortnight before the match and even the (Anderlecht) trainer asked me what was on my mind.

"But I really believe Australia is producing a good type of player nowadays and I hope that the next bunch of young players will be able to get Australia to the next World Cup finals — whether they are based in Australia or in Europe."



Edi Krncevic in Anderlecht colors. He has scored 75 goals in three seasons with the Belgian giants

AUSTRALIAN



CHRIS KALANTZIS - PANATHINAIKOS.

In Australia he was an out-and-out striker with Sydney Olympic, but he started his first full season with the Greek giant as a fringe player competing for a midfield spot. His fortunes turned for the better when he was switched to full-back and he nailed a regular spot in the position. Kalantzis' celebration run after scoring against Larissa attracted wide media attention - he hurdled the advertising boards and clambered up the wire fencing to acclaim his goal.



**TERRY PATALIS.
AEK ATHENS.**

The former Sydney Olympic striker was used mainly as a substitute by the club which won the Greek championship this season. Despite the limited opportunities, he also managed a goal for the club and was one of the two reserves in the vital top of the table clash vs Olympiakos in which AEK clinched the title with a 1-0 win.



LOU HRISTODOULOU - PANATHINAIKOS.

The former West Adelaide and Young Socceroo started the season as a regular in an attacking midfield position with Panathinaikos, but he lost form and was restricted to substitute appearances through the second half of the campaign. His coach, the Swede Bengtson, has continued to praise him in the press as a star of the future, but suggestions are that he may be loaned out for next season. Above, Hristodoulou tussles for possession in a match against Larissa, and joins celebrations after a goal.



**JIM PATIKAS.
AEK ATHENS.**

The former Sydney Croatia and Socceroo striker at training with AEK teammate George Koutoulas, a Greek international. Patikas was a regular at AEK until he was sidelined with a pelvic injury which required an operation and sidelined him for the second half of the season. He is expected to regain his spot in the coming season.

EXPORTS

How the
Australians have
fared in Europe
this season



← **JOHN ANASTASIADIS - PAOK**

PAOK's supporters are among the most fanatical in Greece and can exert tremendous influence on the coach and the directors. The fans took an immediate liking to Anastasiadis, after the former Heidelberg and Young Socceroo striker impressed in pre-season friendlies. He was given several runs as substitute in the early part of the season before his form – and the pressure from the supporters – paid off and he won a regular place in the PAOK side throughout the second half of the league campaign.

CHARLIE YANKOS - PAOK. →

The Socceroo skipper won a regular spot under Dutch coach Rinus Israel, but his fortunes changed when Nick Alefandos took over midway through the season. The new coach publicly stated he felt Yankos was not fast enough and the defender's chances of a regular spot were hampered by his four trips to Australia to play for the Socceroos in the World Cup campaign against NZ and Israel. Alefandos was axed by the club at the end of the campaign and Yankos should start next season on equal footing with the rest of the squad when the next coach is appointed.

DAVID MITCHELL - CHELSEA. →

Mitchell transferred from Dutch club Feyenoord to Chelsea for \$400,000 midway through the club's run towards the English second division championship. He had several games initially but after being sidelined with a minor injury, the side struck a lengthy unbeaten run and he was unable to win back his place in the first team. He is on a three year contract with the club and confidently predicts he will win a regular place when Chelsea resumes its spot in the first division in the coming season.

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BOZINOSKI

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MISSION

Socceroo Vlado Bozinowski has arrived back in Melbourne for a short break after completing his first season with Club Brugge in Belgium.

It has been a topsy turvy eight months for the midfielder with injury restricting his appearances for the Belgian first division club.

He had planned to play guest matches for his former club Melbourne JUST while he is here for the European close season. But Brugge refused him permission and ordered him to take a complete rest.

The Socceroo agreed to this exclusive interview with Aussie Soccer editor Peter Desira.

Desira: Welcome back Vlado. What about these stories we heard about your injury?

Bozinowski: I injured my left heel playing indoor soccer, and to be perfectly honest I aggravated it by trying to hide it and playing on it. But I am well over it now and played my way back to full fitness in the reserves. That was the reason why I was keen to play a guest stint in the NSL - I wanted to retain that fitness to be in the same condition when we resume pre-season training in July. I was disappointed Brugge knocked it back because I was looking forward to turning out for Melbourne JUST again.

Desira: Why would you have been playing indoor soccer?

Bozinowski: The Belgian first division has a midwinter break and clubs keep their players fit by taking part in Indoor Tournaments. I made a quick trip to Melbourne to collect my gear and sort out some personal matters at Christmas time then joined Brugge for the tournament we were playing in Genk. I injured the heel in one of the matches.

Desira: Why did you try to hide the injury?

Bozinowski: There is a lot of competition for team places and I was keen to hang on to the first team spot that I had won. I tried to come back too early twice by taking injections but it only aggravated the injury. I got back in

the side for the match against Anderlecht but had to come off again at half time. It was a difficult period and once I recovered fully, my first team spot was well and truly gone.

I felt I was doing well in the reserves and the trainer seemed happy with my form but I only forced my way back into the squad for the last couple of games.

Desira: So have you become disillusioned at Club Brugge?

Bozinowski: No. I never imagined it was going to be a bed of roses. I know more or less what I want, and I know I can do it. The trainer (Hank Howarth) is not being retained and the talk is that Club Brugge will be appointing George Leikens from Kontrijk as the coach. So it is going to be a new ball game for next season with all the players having to prove themselves to the new man in charge. Despite the injuries, there have been a few nibbles of interest from France and that is something that could be looked into if things don't work out.

But I would prefer another year in Belgium in which I hope to establish myself as a regular. It will be easier when you're doing the pre-season work rather than going to the club mid-season like Frank Farina and I did.

Desira: How did your move from Melbourne JUST to Club Brugge come about?

Bozinowski: The offer originally came from Israel Moaz, the players' manager based in Belgium, through his Melbourne contact Miron Bleiberg. Moaz watched clips of me and liked what he saw. The club saw the tape and was interested but there was nothing definite before I took the trip to Belgium.

My contract with JUST was up and I had written permission to train wherever I wanted to... so it was a matter of going over.

I left for Brugge a couple of days after the Socceroos arrived back from the Olympic Games. I got there on Saturday 7th October; Frank Farina arrived two

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• BOZINOSKI from page 37

days later. We had training sessions with the first team on the Tuesday and Wednesday and the club basically decided to sign us in those two days.

I played for the reserves on Friday night and scored two goals but they had virtually made up their mind by then so I wasn't under a great deal of pressure.

Desira: Did you and Farina have to pay for accommodation?

Bozinoski: The club put us in a hotel for six weeks and then moved us into separate apartments; they are about 500 yards apart and very close to the beach. Frank and I bought ourselves cars soon after.

Desira: Are you the only imports at the club?

Bozinoski: No. Hank Howaart

the coach is a Dutchman for a start. He is a former Club Brugge player and was in the Dutch national squad for the 74 World Cups. On the playing staff, there were three foreigners before we arrived. There is the captain of Senegal, Mamadu, a centrehalf; Kenneth Bryller a Danish international and Van Wijck a Dutchman. In Belgium, clubs are only allowed to use up to three foreigners in any league game so two of the five are missing out every time.

Desira: Has that caused any friction?

Bozinoski: The friction was probably with Bryller. The team plays with two front runners and he was one of the attacking players in the team before we arrived, playing either as a twin striker or the player just behind the front two. The friction showed at training a little bit for sure. After all they

had been there a while and they didn't want anybody just coming in like that. You would expect it, it's natural.

Desira: What happened once you signed the contract and the transfer from Australia was finalised?

Bozinoski: I made my first team debut within a week of arriving in Belgium playing vs Standard Liege in a 0-0 draw away. (Farina didn't play). Israeli internationals Roni Rosental and Tikva were in the Standard team. I felt I gave a good solid performance although I came off near the end... I ran out of puff and was wrecked. I played alongside Jan Ceulemans and Van der Elst in midfield. They are Belgian internationals and that might have helped but I had not even trained with them during the week because they were injured. All the papers and the coach appeared quite happy with my performance.

After Standard Liege, we had a second round tie in the Cup. Frank (Farina) made his debut and scored but also got sent off near the end. The opposition, a second division team, were going in like mad. It was a rubbish game but we just wanted to win and get it over. We beat them 3-1.

After that I competed for the left side position in midfield but I also played behind the two forwards.

Desira: What happened after the initial fortnight - after that initial settling in period?

Bozinoski: Up to the winter break I played seven games, five in the league and two in the cup. I felt I played consistently in all of them and I got good ratings in the papers. There are six or seven different papers who cover our every game. Some of them give ratings out of three, others out of 10. I had twos out of three, in the other papers I had sixes and sevens which is a high mark. When Frank Farina scored three goals, he still only got an 8.

The league games I played in were vs Standard Liege a 0-0, vs Cercle Brugge 1-3, vs Genk 3-0, vs Molenbeek 4-1, vs Racing Mechelen 1-1.

A typical Brugge line up at the time was: keeper Philippe Van de Walle, right back: Serge Kimoni, Pascal Plovie at sweeper, centre-back Dennis Van Wijk, Alex Quarter at left back, then in midfield Peter Creve would be on the right, Frankie Van der Elst the defensive midfielder, myself on the left and Jan Ceulemans as the attacking midfielder. Farina and Mark De Gryse would be the two forwards. De Gryse was Belgium's best

player in 87-88 and also is an international. He looks like the player Anderlecht will sign to replace Edi Krncevic.

Desira: Before your signings. Edi Krncevic was the only Australian playing in Belgium. What was the general reaction of two other Aussies suddenly being signed up by the one club?

Bozinoski: Even though not much is known about Australian soccer, everyone accepted us straightaway, virtually from the first training session. The manager talked to most of the players and they had high regard for us. Not much was said about the rest of Australian soccer; the club just looked at us two and that's all they were worried about. The mentality is different, maybe it's our characters. That may have helped us.

Desira: So many Australian players have gone overseas and come up against brick walls. Why do you think you managed to get into the first team so quickly when so many others have failed?

Bozinoski: There's obviously a bit of luck involved. But the choice we made and the way we went about it was just right, and so was the timing. I came up against the brick wall you're talking about when I went to Dinamo Zagreb in Yugoslavia. That was one of the biggest nightmares in my life. I was there for 16 months altogether but that was different. I went there as a 19 year old and I was not an established player. The mentality in Yugoslavia is totally different. This time the fact that I went there as a Soccerroo helped. Their interest in me initially came

VLADO BOZINOSKI Fact File.

Born: 30 March 1964. Single. Parents live in Newport, suburb of Melbourne.

BOZINOSKI'S AUSTRALIAN CAREER DETAILS:

Hellas-Hakoah:

Victorian State League:

1982: 13 apps + 6 sub. 1 gl.

1983: 14 apps. 2 gls.

South Melbourne:

National Soccer League:

1983: - apps + 2 sub.

1985: 10 apps + 1 sub.

Footscray JUST:

National Soccer League:

1986: 15 apps + 2 sub. 2 gls.

1987: 22 apps. 1 gl.

1988: 22 apps. 4 gls.

Spent 1984 with Dinamo Zagreb in Yugoslavia.

Senior Soccerroo debut: vs Brazil (as substitute) L0-1, 7-7-88 in the Gold Cup in Australia.

Played five games for Australia in 1988.



from my games for Australia.

Desira: Anderlecht is generally accepted as the biggest club in Belgium and one of the biggest in Europe. But not much is known about Club Brugge.

Bozinowski: Brugge is a city of 150,000 population but Club Brugge is a family club, it is very united. Soccer is the dominant sport in the country and Brugge has got two clubs, Club Brugge and Cercle Brugge. One of our club's directors is the lord mayor of Brugge and has been for 18 years. Our club's stadium holds 35,000 and the club was champion in 86 and won the Cup in 87. It reached the semifinals of the European Cup last year. This year we were knocked out of the Cup Winners Cup by Monaco 1-6. Frank (Farina) and I didn't have the right to play in Europe because of the transfer deadline. That was one of the biggest disappointments.

Desira: Has it helped having another Australian at the club?

Bozinowski: I would like to think Frank and I have helped each other a lot. It is easier knowing someone but it has not simply been a matter of having another Australian there. It is important that the other person has the right character and Frank has got that. We think alike and we are aiming for the same thing which is great.

Desira: There have been suggestions that there were problems with your personal manager?

Bozinowski: The only hassles were organising the transfer from Melbourne JUST. The club was in the process of changing hands to become privately owned and no one knew whether to deal with Joe Sterpin (the former president of JUST) or Alf Bulic (one of the directors of the new club). When the manager, Israel Moaz, flew to Australia and got involved, he wasn't too happy because of the way things were done here. I have had no problems with my manager. Actually he is really good and is

helping us a lot. He lives in Brugge and he is taking care of us. It wasn't just a matter of doing the deal and that's it. He manages quite a few players in Belgium.

Desira: What are the big differences between Belgian first division soccer and the Australian National League?

Bozinowski: The standard in Belgium is very strong. The clubs play a very attacking game - up and down for 90 minutes. It's a very flowing, exciting game, quite physical but not dirty. All the players are fit and very strong and they expect a high workrate from themselves and their teammates - they're very strict on that.

As for differences from the NSL, skill is number one. Then there is the mentality of the players. In Belgium they are professionals, they make a living off the game. Fitness is the other big difference but you have to expect that because they are doing it full time.

Desira: What would be a typical week for a fulltimer at Brugge?

Bozinowski: We train Monday morning at 10am. On Tuesday there are two sessions, at 10am and 2.30pm. We have lunch at the club, and a rest in our lounge. Wednesdays we either train at 10am or sometimes have a free day depending on circumstances. On Thursday training is twice again, with lunch at the club. Friday and Saturday training is 10 am. On Sunday if we are playing at 3pm, we meet at a restaurant at 10.30am, have lunch there and go to the stadium together. The players relax in the lounge for an hour. We have a game of snooker or relax with a cup of coffee, then into the dressing rooms to get changed. For away games, we do the same thing meeting early and going in a bus. Belgium is a small country in comparison to Australia and all teams are fairly close, distance wise. The furthest away, Standard Liege, is about two hours by bus.

Bozinowski gave Aussie Soccer a number of clippings featuring Farina and himself but they are mainly in Flemish. He has also been featured on the front page of the menu of the club's restaurant. That also is in Flemish.

Desira: Has language been a problem?

Bozinowski: Everyone speaks English in Belgium so we haven't had problems. But we have

enrolled in a course to learn the Flemish language.

Desira: How much contact did you have with Edi Krncevic in Belgium?

Bozinowski: We became good friends and had dinner together a number of times in Brussels. We're always talking to each other. It is good because he is always there if we need any advice.

Desira: Have you set a long term plan for your playing career?

Bozinowski: I have signed a two and a half year contract with Club Brugge. The contract is only a step in the right direction and I'm

hoping it will lead to further advances in my career. If you are dedicated to something and set yourself a goal you will always come close to it. You never know what life can bring, I mean look at Edi, he was able to dictate his own terms and sign for any club of his choice after establishing himself. I'd like to stay in Europe for as long as possible and hopefully finish my career there.

I've got an open contract with Brugge which means they can demand anything for my transfer. But FIFA has a new rule placing players in categories depending on age and earnings and establishing ceilings for transfers. So that will limit the figure and it means Brugge would not be able to go overboard with their fee.

Desira: What advice would you give to Australian players aspiring to play professionally in Europe?

Bozinowski: Most of all retain a belief in yourself and your abilities.

If you really want to do it, it's achievable. I've been put down for so many years but I knew I had the talent and that was a big start. After the nightmare at Dinamo Zagreb, I could've sat back and forgot about Europe but I wanted to do it and persisted.

Desira: What is the likelihood of more aussies attracting interest from clubs in Belgium?

Bozinowski: It will always depend on how well the national team does. Success at international level is very important; the higher the standard, the more players will be noticed. I don't think it's bad from a Socceroos level for players to be playing professionally in Europe. If they are recalled in the (Socceroo) team it won't be a problem fitting in - the team can only benefit.





Bruce Maclaren
South Melbourne

*His father was a pro
the less glamorous side
At South Melbourne he*

THE BOTH

By GREG BLAKE
of AUSTRALIAN SOCCER WEEKLY

Bruce Maclaren had the perfect background to become a first division keeper in England.

But he turned his back on professional ranks - because his father was the coach at Aston Villa!

Maclaren actually resisted offers from Villa, Bolton Wanderers, and Bristol City during his school years and even in his later days as a parttimer at Bromsgrove Rovers, he was still attracting interest from third and fourth division clubs in England.

Instead he completed nine 'O' levels and three 'A' levels at school and put soccer well behind his business interests.

Maclaren's father, Roy, turned pro as a 17 year old with St Johnston in Scotland and went on to play for Bury and Sheffield Wednesday.

He turned to coaching in 1965 and had spells at Grimsby Town and Huddersfield before following manager Ron Saunders to Aston Villa in 74.

In his 11 years at Villa, the club earned promotion from the second division, won a first division championship, three League Cups, a Charity Shield, the 1982 European Cup and a European Super Cup.

But Maclaren junior saw through that and freely accepted his father's advice to put his education ahead of the game.

"I don't want to sound biased but I have no doubt that Bruce would have been good enough to play fulltime," says Roy of his son.

"Bruce is his own man - that's something I've always encouraged. But I realised a long time ago that only a small percentage of players carry on to coaching after a full time career.

"I felt that Bruce should add another string to his bow by getting a good education as well as play soccer.

"If you look at it from a good commonsense Scottish way, business goes on long after your soccer career has finished.

"I don't want him to get big headed but as a son and a player I couldn't be more proud of him for what he has done with his life."

Maclaren junior heeded his father's advice, resigning himself to non league English football with Bromsgrove Rovers and making his way in the business world.

Left: SAFE LANDING... Bruce Maclaren shields the ball from a challenge by Claude Lucchesi. Maclaren, born 11.5.62, made his N.S.L. debut vs Preston Makedonia on May 1, 1988 (W2-1) and has been South Melbourne's first choice in goal since

player and coach in England but Bruce Maclaren saw of soccer and turned his back on the pro ranks. has found...

BEST OF WORLDS

"Until five years ago the only thing Dad knew was soccer and he saw the pitfalls," Bruce explained.

"My sisters and I were brought up in the environment of top flight soccer and I guess I also saw the unglamorous side of the game.

"It taught me to keep my feet on the ground about the game and I decided I wanted to think longer term than just a soccer career."

Ironically it is also because of Roy that young Maclaren is playing in Australia's National Soccer League instead of as a professional in the hurly burly of English football.

After leaving Aston Villa, Roy moved to Melbourne five years ago to work in insurance at the firm belonging to his brother Dave.

Dave Maclaren is none other than the former Sydney City official

who became the high profile coach of South Melbourne in 1978 -79.

Bruce came out to visit his parents and liked Australia enough to want to settle here.

When South Melbourne offered him terms 18 months ago, he jumped at the chance to return.

"It's worked out well really because in the end I've finished up playing a better level of soccer here than I was in England anyway," Bruce said.

"I guess sometimes I wonder if I could have made it as a professional but when I look at where I am now, it doesn't perturb me greatly.

"I certainly have no deep regrets.

"I mean I love playing and whether it was here or in England, I'd be playing anywhere.

"It's just a bonus being able to

play at this level and get paid for it as well.

"As for living in Australia, it's great here.

"The opportunities here are boundless and as far as business is concerned I've really fallen on my feet since I've been here."

In business he is doing very nicely for himself as the managing director of Karndeans Overseas Pty Ltd, importers and distributors of floor coverings for commercial use.

Maclaren was at South Melbourne for two months before being given his chance in the senior side.

He slipped into the side for last season's round 14 clash with Preston Makedonia, after the club had been cut to ribbons in a 0-4 defeat at Wollongong.

Maclaren put in a polished display in a 2-1 South Melbourne win and he stayed in the team as it marched into the finals.

More than 12 months later he has become the undisputed number one choice.

"Without a doubt, I've joined the best club in Australia," says the giant custodian.

"These young guys at the club are really as good as they have been made out to be," he says of his teammates.

"And some of the more experienced lads at the club are the best I've ever worked with.

"I've seen a number of good clubs in the UK but this is probably one of the best in terms of atmosphere amongst the players."

The all 21st keeper is returning to England in August to marry his fiancée Sue, ironically an English girl who he met here. The pair will come back to settle in Australia.

What They Say About Bruce Maclaren.



Coach Brian Garvey:

"I regard him very highly both as a player and a person.

"As a player, if he was an Australian, he would be well in the running for the national team.

"He is tall, agile, he is not flashy, he talks well to the players around him and he is very safe.

"He lifts the confidence of the defence.

"Off the field, he is a stable person with a good temperament and a fine character to have around the club.

"Since he has been in the team, he has fitted in extremely well and he has worked exceptionally hard.

"And at his age he will just keep on getting better."

Centreback Steve Blair:



"Bruce is excellent - he has been a great acquisition for the club.

"He is well respected by all the lads and he has earned that by being the person that he is.

"He is in command of his area and he helps us out by giving as much information as possible during a game."

Dad, Roy Maclaren:



"In his position on the park character plays a major part and he has got character in abundance."

BRUCE MACLAREN ON SOUTH MELBOURNE:

"We've certainly been going through a rough trot.

"It is hard to say just why we are struggling to get back to last season's form but if you want my opinion it comes down to the individual personalities in the team.

"I think it would be fair to say that some of the individuals in the team aren't playing as well as they did last year... it's a simple as that.

"But I really believe that there is a light at the end of the tunnel.

"It really hadn't hit home that we were doing so poorly until recently because against the good sides we have been playing well.

"What we have to do now is get it to click against the lesser teams.

"I believe we have the players to pull us through."



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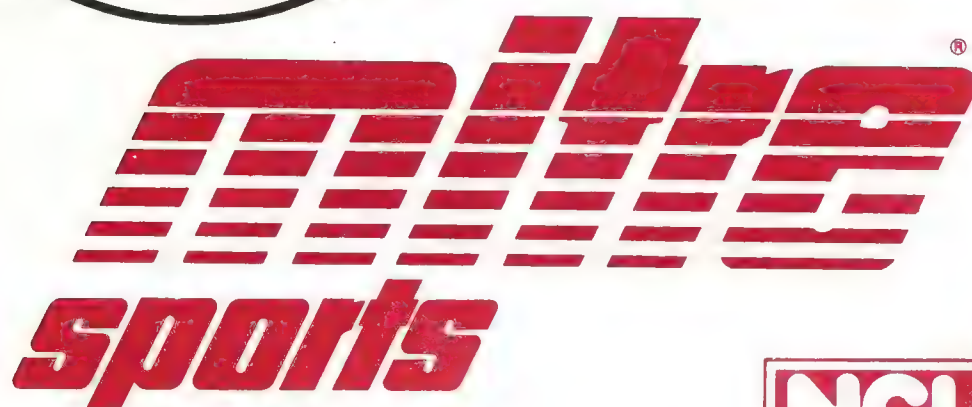
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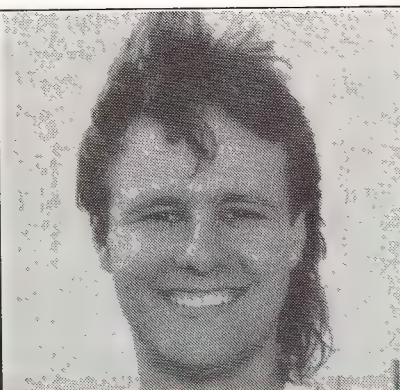
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JEAN PAUL DE MARIGNY
Marconi

Fullback signed from Apia Leichhardt for \$15,000 at the start of the season. Born in Mauritius, De Marigny graduated from the Institute of Sport to Sydney City's NSL team in 1983. Ended up playing playing 70 NSL games and gaining an NSL Cup winning medal (1986) before moving to Apia in 87 when the club folded. Was a member of Apia's championship winning side in 87 and collected a second NSL Cup medal last season. Played three matches for the Socceroos in 87, including one in the Olympic Games qualifiers against Taiwan.

Born: 21 January 64.

NSL debut:

Sydney City 1 Footscray 1, 15/4/83 as sub.

NSL career details:

Sydney City

1983: 5 apps + 3 sub. 2 gls.

1984: 20 apps + 4 sub.

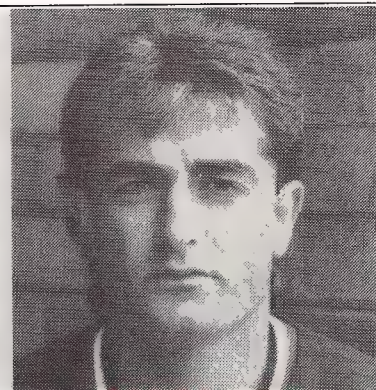
1985: 14 apps + 2 sub. 1 gl.

1986: 22 apps. 2 gls.

Apia Leichhardt

1987: 19 apps. 2 gls.

1988: 25 apps. 2 gls.



OSSIE LATIF
Sunshine George Cross

Striker who returned to Cross this year in an \$8000 transfer from Victorian League club Albion Turk Gucu. First broke into State League soccer with Melbourne Croatia in 1982 and scored 23 goals in two seasons before moving up to the NSL with George Cross in 1984. Scored 19 goals over two seasons before transferring to Footscray JUST for \$15,000 in 86. Fell out with coach Drago Sekularac and became the player-coach at Albion in an \$8000 move in 87. Rekindled his appetite for the top league this season and has been at his sharpest scoring several goals for Cross.

Born: 8 February 64.

NSL debut:

George Cross 0 Green Gully 0, 4/3/84.

NSL career details:

Sunshine George Cross

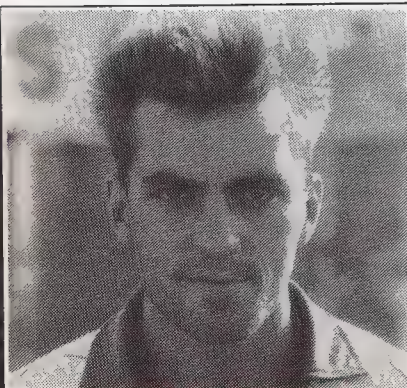
1984: 26 apps + 1 sub. 8 gls.

1985: 18 apps. 11 gls.

Footscray JUST

1986: 22 apps + 2 sub. 8 gls.

1987: 4 apps + 1 sub.



GARRY McDOWALL
Heidelberg Alexander

Australian international defender signed by Heidelberg for \$18,000 from Brunswick Juventus this season while still recovering from a close season ankle operation. A former captain of Hamilton Academicals in Scotland, he came to Australia to join Footscray JUST in 83. Joined South Melbourne in an \$18,000 transfer in 85 and gave the club three years' service before moving to Brunswick Juventus last season in a joint move with Charlie Egan worth \$32,000. Was first selected in the Socceroos in 85 and has played 26 games (16 full internationals) for Australia to date.

Born: 6 March 59.

NSL debut: Wollongong 1 Footscray 1, 5/6/83.

NSL career details:

Footscray JUST

1983: 18 apps.

1984: 22 apps. 3 gls.

South Melbourne

1985: 22 apps. 3 gls.

1986: 21 apps. 1 gl.

1987: 22 apps. 1 gl.

Brunswick Juventus

1988: 23 apps. 1 gl.



CON OPASINIS
Melbourne Croatia

Defender signed for \$12,000 from Preston Makedonia in February who has been enjoying the new challenge of competing for the rightback spot. Came through the junior ranks at Preston and held a regular spot for six seasons as well as getting elevated to captain in 1987. Played as a central defender and in midfield but fullback has always been his strongest position. Played three matches for the Australia B side against Rangers and Iraklis in 1984. Made his debut for Melb Croatia in the 6-0 win over Blacktown (5.2.89).

Born: 15 October 64.

NSL debut:

Heidelberg 0 Preston Mak 0, 11/7/82.

NSL career details:

Preston Makedonia

1982: 9 apps.

1983: 27 apps + 1 sub.

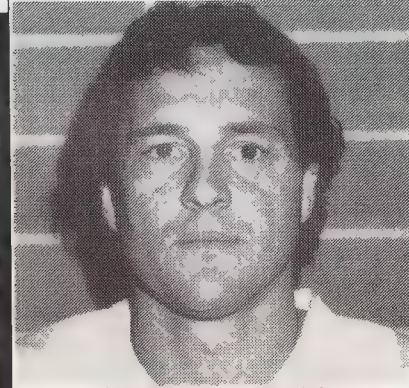
1984: 26 apps. 2 gls.

1985: 24 apps.

1986: 19 apps + 1 sub.

1987: 12 apps.

1988: 19 apps + 1 sub.



VEDRAN ROZIC
Sydney Croatia

Central defender. Former captain of Hajduk Split and a senior international who has been one of the biggest name players ever brought to Australia. Became player coach for Sydney Croatia towards the end of his first season here and has now combined the two jobs for four years. Led Sydney Croatia to an NSL Cup win in 1986 and then took them to the Grand Final last season before losing on penalties. Played his 100th NSL game against Melbourne JUST on February 26.

Born: 2 November 54.

NSL debut:

Sydney Croatia 2 Brisbane Lions 1, 22/7/84.

NSL career details:

Sydney Croatia

1984: 6 apps.

1985: 24 apps.

1986: 19 apps.

1987: 19 apps.

1988: 25 apps.



RALPH MAIER
Blacktown

Making a return to the NSL after two year absence and this time figuring in midfield. Came through the junior ranks in Newcastle and was the vice captain of the Young Socceroos side which played in the qualifiers and the World Youth Championship finals in 1983 in Mexico. Also played for Australia U23 in the 1984 Merlion Cup. Started out in the NSL at fullback with Newcastle in 1982 and gave the club five years service before it bowed out in 1986. Was a member of Newcastle NSL Cup winning side in 1985. Helped Blacktown to win the NSW State League last season.

Born: 5 May 64.

NSL debut:

Heidelberg 2 Newcastle 0, 21/2/82.

NSL career details:

Newcastle

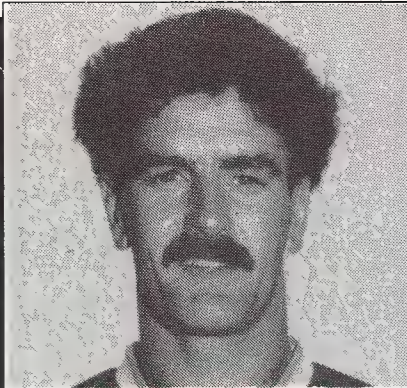
1982: 5 apps.

1983: 21 apps + 1 sub.

1984: 28 apps.

1985: 22 apps.

1986: 22 apps. 5 gls.



CRAIG MASON
Apia Leichhardt

Veteran defensive midfielder who joined Apia pre-season after helping Marconi to win the NSL championship last season. Born in Sheffield in England, he is a former Arsenal apprentice who was recruited for Newcastle KB's inaugural season in the NSL in 1978. Played 141 NSL games for Newcastle then joined the NSL's 200 club in his fourth season at Marconi in 87.

Born: 23 August 56.

NSL debut: Newcastle 1 Eastern Suburbs 4, 5/3/78.

NSL career details:

Newcastle

1978: 26 apps. 3 gls.

1979: 1 app + 4 sub.

1980: 19 apps + 3 sub. 1 gl.

1981: 24 apps + 3 sub. 1 gl.

1982: 28 apps. 2 gls.

1983: 28 apps. 4 gls.

1984: 5 apps.

Marconi

1984: 23 apps. 1 gl.

1985: 24 apps.

1986: 20 apps.

1987: 12 apps. 1 gl.

1988: 13 apps.



STEVE MAXWELL
Adelaide City

Striker. Celebrated his return to Adelaide by being the side's top scorer last season. Made his NSL debut with Adelaide in 83 and played for the Young Socceroos in the World Youth Championship qualifiers the same year. Established himself as a regular goalscorer in Adelaide City's NSL winning title side in 86. Transferred to Marconi for \$25,000 in 87 but found it hard to settle in Sydney and returned to SA after one season. Played four games for the senior Socceroos in 86 then was recalled for the World Cup game against Fiji last November.

Born: 7 January 65.

NSL debut:

Adelaide City 2 Canberra 2, 13/3/83.

(scored two goals).

NSL career details:

Adelaide City

1983: 15 apps + 3 sub. 3 gls.

1984: 26 apps. 4 gls.

1985: 22 apps. 5 gls.

1986: 26 apps + 1 sub. 11 gls

1988: 26 apps. 11 gls.

Marconi

1987: 21 apps + 1 sub. 5 gls.



TONY SPYRIDAKOS
Sydney Olympic

Central defender who was better known as Dakos until he changed his name by deedpoll earlier this year. Made his NSL debut in the last game of the 1982 season then nailed down a regular spot the following year. Played for the Young Socceroos in the qualifiers and the World Youth Championship finals in Mexico in 1983. Won an NSL Cup winners medal in Olympic's 1-0 win over Heidelberg in 83. Sidelined by injury through most of 1985 and a part of last year.

Born: 9 April 64.

NSL debut:

Syd Olympic 4 St George 0, 5/9/82.

NSL career details:

Sydney Olympic

1982: 1 app.

1983: 23 apps. 2 gls.

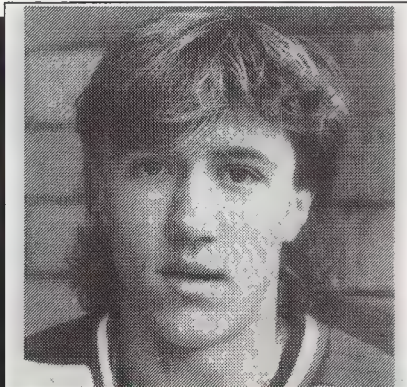
1984: 24 apps + 3 sub. 1 gl.

1985: 2 apps + 1 sub.

1986: 23 apps. 1 gl.

1987: 20 apps. 1 gl.

1988: 11 apps + 3 sub.



ERNIE TAPAI
Melbourne JUST

Midfielder who came close to signing for Lokeren and Club Brugge in the close season and intends to give Europe another try later this year. Was sought by St George pre-season but ended up signing a new contract with JUST. Came up through the juniors at the now defunct Melbourne soccer club. Signed by JUST for a nominal fee in 1985. Was voted NSL under 21 player in 1987 and also named the NSL's most entertaining player the same season. Having a strong season and pushing for re-inclusion in the Socceroo squad. With the Socceroos, he went on the China tour in 1986 and played against Gothenburg and Dinamo Zagreb in 88.

Born: 14 February 67.

NSL debut:

Footscray 1 Preston 2, 10/3/85.

NSL career details:

Melbourne JUST

1985: 21 apps + 1 sub. 3 gls.

1986: 26 apps. 4 gls.

1987: 20 apps + 1 sub. 2 gls.

1988: 15 apps + 2 sub.



DANNY WRIGHT
South Melbourne

Striker in his third season at South Melbourne. Was a member of the Young Socceroos for the qualifiers and the World Youth Championship finals in Mexico in 1983. By then was already well established in the NSL with Brisbane Lions having made his NSL debut in 80. Claimed a regular spot at Lions in 82 after spending a year at the Institute of sport. Scored 23 goals in 92 NSL games with the club over seven seasons before transferring to South Melbourne in 87 for \$15,000.

Born: 2 November 64.

NSL debut:

Brisbane Lions 0 St George 0, 10/8/80 (as sub).

NSL career details:

Brisbane Lions

1980: 5 apps + 1 sub. 1 gl.

1981: 2 apps.

1982: 16 apps + 2 sub. 2 gls.

1983: 26 apps. 10 gls.

1984: 8 apps.

1985: 17 apps. 3 gls.

1986: 15 apps. 7 gls.

South Melbourne

1987: 17 apps + 5 sub. 4 gls.

1988: 27 apps. 7 gls.

WARREN SPINK

Preston Makedonia & Australia



Warren Spink

Born: October 10, 1966 in Luton, England. The family came to Australia twice before settling down here when I was about 12.

Height & Weight: 170 cm (5 ft 7 ins), 68 kg (10 st 9 lbs).

Car: I've been driving a Rover for two years. No particular reason why - a car is a car to me.

Occupation: I've been an owner driver for two years. Most of my work is as a sub contractor for Namco, transporting office furniture.

Previous clubs: I started out with Doveton in the U12s, went to the Institute of Sport for 2 years then joined Preston in 85. I'm back there this year after spending two seasons with JUST.

Biggest influence on career: Jim Shoulder and Ron Smith at the AIS. I was only 16 when I went there and they helped me with technique. Most of what I learned about finishing was from them.

Nickname: Ron Smith gave me "Sid". It was for no particular reason except that Sid Spink

sounded funny.

Injuries: Touch wood there haven't been any serious injuries. I've had a bit of trouble with my ankles - I tend to go over them easily and damage ligaments but it's nothing I can't live with.

Favorite Australian players: Paul Trimboli is one of the best around - he is skilful, has very good vision and is not afraid to do things.

Favorite overseas player: Paul Walsh of Tottenham. He is one player I have tended to idolise not only because he is a similar height to me - he has good close control and is good at scoring goals.

Favorite teams: Luton Town because I was born there. In Australia, it's got to be the team I'm playing for.

Best All Time World XI: I'd go for players who I've grown up with and seen a bit of. Shilton; Rijkaard, Moore, Beckenbauer, Amoros; Platini, Maradona, Cruyff; Lineker, Keegan, Gerd Muller.

Favorite away ground: The Middle Park pitch is always good and the ground with the grandstand has got a good soccer atmosphere.

Favorite Stadium you have played in: One of the best was in Minsk in Russia, in 85. It had an unusual outside design with arches and a good soccer atmosphere inside.

Best goal scored: One last year for JUST against South Melbourne. Oscar Crino knocked the ball to me some 20 yards out, I beat two or three players and knocked the ball over Bruce Macclaren's body with the help of a little deflection.

Best goal seen scored: A goal by Michael Laudrup for Denmark in a 6-1 win over Uruguay in the 86 World Cup finals. He beat four or five players, beat the keeper and knocked it in with the help of a Uruguayan defender.

Most memorable match: Playing for the Young Socceroos against USSR in 85 was a big

thrill. It wasn't because I had a great game but because it was the opening of the World Youth Cup and it was against the host nation.

Own magic moment in soccer: I'm always fond of nutmegs. Any nutmeg is a good moment... you pick them up and if they go through it's great, if they don't you get the rest of the team screaming and shouting at you.

Biggest disappointment: Getting knocked out of this World Cup. All the way through we were looking comfortable until we lost in NZ. I still believed we would get through in that match against Israel.

Favourite other sports: Tennis and golf but I'm not the best at either of them. At golf I usually knock around with Gary Van Egmond and Eddie Campbell.

Dislikes: I dislike smoking. I'm not a very good loser and I don't like arrogant people.

Favorite TV: I like a show on the ABC called "Home James" - it's a funny British comedy series.

Favorite reading: I'd average about four books a year - mostly sports biographies.

Favorite music: I'm right into music. I like Rush, I've got all Black Sabbath albums and I like T-Rex.

Favorite food & drink: Steak and chips - I'm easy to please with food. I'm not much of drinker but I like an occasional Southern Comfort.

Best country visited: Holland is the one I would like to live in, if I couldn't live in Australia. Its country towns are really nice - very quiet and very clean and it's a small country, everywhere is really close.

Best film seen recently: I get to see quite a few movies when we're in camp... there's not much else to do in the evenings. The best one I've seen recently would be Dirty Rotten Scoundrels.

What don't you like about soccer: Referees who can't communicate with players. The referees you can have a laugh and a joke with and don't take the players' screaming and shouting too seriously are the good ones.



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Pre-match meal: I always have two bowls of cereal in the morning and that's it. Drink wise I may have a glass of staminade before the game - it depends on how hot it is.

International honors: Young Socceroos in 1985, Australian Under 23s at the Merlion Cup and the senior Socceroos. I have played 8 senior internationals.

Ambitions: I've had two tries overseas but I wouldn't go again unless I had a concrete offer from a club. Things in Australia have picked up in the last few years - the football is quite good at club level plus the national team is starting to do things and has gained a lot of respect. I'm pretty happy to stay here if I can remain in the national team.

Career after playing: I'd be interested in coaching after I've finished playing - I can see myself blowing a whistle and seeing all the other buggers running round for a change.

Player to watch out for this season: George Jolevski has been very impressive at Preston this year. He will be a well established player in a year or two.

Most embarrassing moment: Soon after I got my truck two years ago, I was low on diesel and pulled into a service station ... until the truck came to a grinding halt against the roof above the pumps. Luckily I managed to reverse out - and left with a few holes in roof and a red face.

Who would you most like to meet: Two who I would have liked to meet are dead - Mark Bolan (lead singer for T-Rex) wrapped himself around a tree and the other one was Jimmy Hendrix. The next best will be a linesman with two broken arms.



WARREN SPINK... pursued by Adelaide City's Neville Flounders.



Adelaide City



Apia Leichhardt



Blacktown



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NSL 1989 RESULTS, SCORERS, GOAL TIMES, FIXTURES.

Round 1.

APIA LEICHHARDT 0 WOLLONGONG 0.
BLACKTOWN 2 (Van Blerk 83' McKenna 86')
ADELAIDE CITY 1 (Melta 59').
HEIDELBERG 0 SYDNEY OLYMPIC 4
(Patinotis 0 and 24' Soper 50' Ironside 52' Bernal 62').
MELBOURNE JUST 3 (Dimoski 32' 37' Crino pen 67')
MELBOURNE CROATIA 1 (Kelic 5').
PRESTON MAKEDONIA 0 MARCONI 1 (Calderan 90').
ST GEORGE 0 SOUTH MELBOURNE 3
(Postecoglou pen 29' Trimboli 58' Tsolakis 75').
SYDNEY CROATIA 1 (Ingham 80')
SUNSHINE GEORGE CROSS 0.

Round 2.

ADELAIDE CITY 0 ST GEORGE 1 (Bingley 56').
MARCONI 1 (Lowe 62') MELBOURNE JUST 1 (Dimoski 76').
MELBOURNE CROATIA 2 (Salemidis 56' Biskic 74')
HEIDELBERG 1 (Theodosopoulos 11').
SOUTH MELBOURNE 0 SYDNEY CROATIA 1 (Slater 49').
SUNSHINE GEORGE CROSS 2 (Latif 55' Lewis pen 81')
PRESTON MAKEDONIA 1 (Spink 4').
SYDNEY OLYMPIC 0
APIA LEICHHARDT 1 (Radosaljevic 65').
WOLLONGONG 4
(Crainie 5' Denyer 0 and 48' Easthorpe 56' Brodnik 60')
BLACKTOWN 1 (Denyer 84').

Round 3.

APIA LEICHHARDT 3 (Kosmina pen 35' Ricoy 65' Hagan 87')
MELBOURNE CROATIA 4
(Milosevic 11' Awaritefe 24' Kelic 43' 83').
BLACKTOWN 0
SYDNEY OLYMPIC 2 (Soper 42' McGarry 90').
HEIDELBERG 2 (Raynes 13' Stubbins 45')
MELBOURNE JUST 1 (Palatsides 81').
PRESTON MAKEDONIA 2 (Zinni 52' Spink 55')
SOUTH MELBOURNE 1 (Mori 45').
ST GEORGE 2 (Ollerenshaw 10' 76') WOLLONGONG 0.
SUNSHINE GEORGE CROSS 3 (Latif 42' Faulkner 47' Hasler 70')
MARCONI 1 (Nastevski pen 18').
SYDNEY CROATIA 2 (Slater 12' Arnold 90')
ADELAIDE CITY 0.

Round 4.

ADELAIDE CITY 1 (Mullen 43')
PRESTON MAKEDONIA 2 (Markovski pen 2' Spink 70').
MARCONI 4 (DeJong 50' Lucchesi 0 and 71' Lowe 81' Nastevski 88')
HEIDELBERG 0.
MELBOURNE CROATIA 6
(Kelic 39' 47' 68' Caleta 49' Biskic 76' Awaritefe 85')
BLACKTOWN 0.
MELBOURNE JUST 0 APIA LEICHHARDT 1 (R.Brown 6').
SOUTH MELBOURNE 2 (Mori 54' 57')
SUNSHINE GEORGE CROSS 1 (Lewis 88').
SYDNEY OLYMPIC 0
ST GEORGE 2 (Bingley 29' Ollerenshaw pen 78').
WOLLONGONG 1 (Easthorpe 13')
SYDNEY CROATIA 0.

Round 5.

APIA LEICHHARDT 3 (Kosmina 27' 37' R.Brown 30')
HEIDELBERG 0.
BLACKTOWN 3 (McKenna 14' G.Sterrey 72' Odzakov 88') MEL-
BOURNE JUST 1 (Lazopoulos 50').
PRESTON MAKEDONIA 1 (Markovac 52') WOLLONGONG 0.
SOUTH MELBOURNE 0 MARCONI 1 (Gray 74').
ST GEORGE 2 (Ollerenshaw pen 10' Bingley 14')
MELBOURNE CROATIA 2 (Kelic 16' 24').
SUNSHINE GEORGE CROSS 0
ADELAIDE CITY 2 (Mullen 41' Vial 81').
SYDNEY CROATIA 0 SYDNEY OLYMPIC 0.

Round 6.

ADELAIDE CITY 2 (Flounders 18' Melta 54')
SOUTH MELBOURNE HELLAS 2 (Foster 73' Postecoglou 89').
HEIDELBERG 1 (Stewart 38')
BLACKTOWN 2 (Naumov 67' Van Blerk 90').
MARCONI 5 (Nastevski pen 29' 45' 47' Gray 34' 48')
APIA LEICHHARDT 0.
MELBOURNE CROATIA 0 SYDNEY CROATIA 0.
MELBOURNE JUST 0 ST GEORGE 0.
SYDNEY OLYMPIC 1 (Lee 79').
PRESTON MAKEDONIA 1 (Zinni 34').
WOLLONGONG 0 SUNSHINE GEORGE CROSS 0.

Round 7.

ADELAIDE CITY 2 (Mullen 61' Maxwell 66')
MARCONI 3 (De Jong 43' McCulloch 60' Nastevski 78').
BLACKTOWN 1 (Arambasic 42')
APIA LEICHHARDT 1 (Hagan 79').
PRESTON MAKEDONIA 3 (Markovski 15' 68' Spink 19')
MELBOURNE CROATIA 0.
SOUTH MELBOURNE 0
WOLLONGONG 2 (Easthorpe 5' Skeen 25').
ST GEORGE 1 (Douglas 0 and 85') HEIDELBERG 0.
SUNSHINE GEORGE CROSS 1 (Hasler 59')
SYDNEY OLYMPIC 1 (Soper 87').
SYDNEY CROATIA 2 (Arnold 9' Hunter pen 65')
MELBOURNE JUST 1 (Crino 27').

Round 8.

APIA LEICHHARDT 1 (Murray 16')
ST GEORGE 2 (Ollerenshaw pen 67' Koczka 75').
HEIDELBERG 2 (Stubbins 44' Oulsalkas 81')
SYDNEY CROATIA 0.
MARCONI 4 (Nastevski 19' 37' McCulloch 41' Colagiuri 68')
BLACKTOWN 1 (Jee 56').
MELBOURNE CROATIA 0
SUNSHINE GEORGE CROSS 2 (Latif 29' 33').
MELBOURNE JUST 1 (Deankovic 27')
PRESTON MAKEDONIA 2 (Spink 23' Markovski 35').
SYDNEY OLYMPIC 0
SOUTH MELBOURNE 3 (Petersen 51' Postecoglou 58' Trimboli 81').
WOLLONGONG 0 ADELAIDE CITY 1 (Maxwell 60').

Round 9.

ADELAIDE CITY 0 SYDNEY OLYMPIC 0.
PRESTON MAKEDONIA 1 (Roodhouse 82')
HEIDELBERG 1 (Tredinnick 87').
SUNSHINE GEORGE CROSS 0 MELBOURNE JUST 0.
WOLLONGONG 0
MARCONI 6 (Lowe 27' De Jong 42' 64' 75' Nastevski 59' Gray 89').

Round 10.

APIA LEICHHARDT 1 (Ricoy 89')
PRESTON MAKEDONIA 1 (Markovac 41').
HEIDELBERG 1 (Goutzioulis 71')
SUNSHINE GEORGE CROSS 2 (Lewis 38' Latif 63').
MELBOURNE CROATIA 0 ADELAIDE CITY 0.
SYDNEY OLYMPIC 3 (Dakos 54' Ironside 63' 89')
WOLLONGONG 1 (Morlando 13').

Round 11.

ADELAIDE CITY 1 (Mullen 56') MELBOURNE JUST 0.
PRESTON MAKEDONIA 1 (Jackson 80')
BLACKTOWN 1 (Arambasic 6').
SOUTH MELBOURNE 4 (Tsolakis 38' Taliadoros 45' Wade 79')
Trimboli 85') HEIDELBERG 1 (Scott 42').
SUNSHINE GEORGE CROSS 0
APIA LEICHHARDT 1 (R.Brown 39').
SYDNEY CROATIA 1 (Arnold 21')
ST GEORGE 1 (Ollerenshaw pen 17').
SYDNEY OLYMPIC 1 (Edwards 26') MARCONI 1 (Lowe 75').
WOLLONGONG 2 (Crainie 50' Danzo 65')
MELBOURNE CROATIA 0.

Round 12.

HEIDELBERG 2 (Oulsalkas 37' Stevenson 67')
ADELAIDE CITY 0.
MELBOURNE CROATIA 2 (Adzic 57' Awaritefe 64')
SYDNEY OLYMPIC 1 (McGarry 6').
MELBOURNE JUST 2 (Murphy 19' Retre 74')
WOLLONGONG 0.

Round 13.

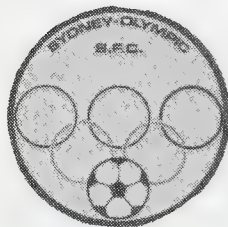
ADELAIDE CITY 1 (Maxwell 10')
APIA LEICHHARDT 1 (R.Brown 43').
MARCONI 2 (Nastevski 22' 57')
MELBOURNE CROATIA 1 (Talaijch 70').
PRESTON MAKEDONIA 0 SYDNEY CROATIA 0.
SOUTH MELBOURNE 1 (Taliadoros 55')
BLACKTOWN 1 (Arambasic 7').
SUNSHINE GEORGE CROSS 0 ST GEORGE 1 (Ilic 25').
SYDNEY OLYMPIC 1 (Edwards 68')
MELBOURNE JUST 2 (Retre 8' Crino 43').
WOLLONGONG 3 (Easthorpe 32' Cokely 37' Brodnik 53')
HEIDELBERG 0.

Round 14.

HEIDELBERG 0
MELBOURNE CROATIA 4 (Caleta 4' Adzic 16' Milosevic 54'
Awaritefe 86').
MELBOURNE JUST 0
MARCONI 4 (Colagiuri 2' Carter 11' Gray 57' McCulloch 89').
PRESTON MAKEDONIA 1 (Markovski 76')
SUNSHINE GEORGE CROSS 0.
ST GEORGE 1 (Ollerenshaw 29')
ADELAIDE CITY 1 (Maxwell 70').
SYDNEY CROATIA 2 (Hunter pen 17' Lamond 78')
SOUTH MELBOURNE 1 (Rozic 0 and 57').
POSTPONED MATCH
MARCONI 0 ST GEORGE 2 (Pottier 22' Bingley 34').



Wollongong



Sydney Olympic



Sydney Croatia



**Sunshine
George Cross**



Marconi



Melbourne Croatia



Melbourne Just



Preston Makedonia

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Round 15.

ADELAIDE CITY 2 (Vilani 4' 63')
 SUNSHINE GEORGE CROSS 0.
 HEIDELBERG 1 (Stubbins 55').
 APIA LEICHHARDT 1 (Kosmina 25').
 MARCONI 0 SOUTH MELBOURNE 0.
 MELBOURNE CROATIA 2 (Adzic 4' 86').
 ST GEORGE 1 (Potter 58').
 MELBOURNE JUST 2 (Duralovic 30' Retre 80').
 BLACKTOWN 0.
 SYDNEY OLYMPIC 1 (Ironsides 83') SYDNEY CROATIA 0.
 WOLLONGONG 2 (Brodnik 17' Sreen 90').
 PRESTON MAKEDONIA 3 (Markovski 8' Smith 20' 30').
 POSTPONED GAMES:
 SOUTH MELBOURNE 0
 MELBOURNE CROATIA 4 (Adzic pen 14' 55' pen 63' Caleta 27').
 SYDNEY CROATIA 1 (Saver 54').
 APIA LEICHHARDT 2 (R.Brown 19' Ricoy 68m).

Round 16.

APIA LEICHHARDT 2 (Ellen 31' R.Brown pen 47').
 MELBOURNE JUST 0.
 BLACKTOWN 1 (Nan Blair 34').
 MELBOURNE CROATIA 2 (Aventefela 13' 34' Adzic 85').
 HEIDELBERG 1 MARCONI 2 (Nastevski 43' DeJong 64').
 PRESTON MAKEDONIA 1 ADELAIDE CITY 1 (A. Vidmar 44').
 ST GEORGE 0 SYDNEY OLYMPIC 2 (Lee 34' 48').
 SUNSHINE GEORGE CROSS 2 (Lewis 3' pen 64').
 SOUTH MELBOURNE 3 (Tassios 38' 88' Postecoglou pen 52').
 Talladoms 57' Michel 79').
 SYDNEY CROATIA 1 (Slater pen 52') WOLLONGONG 0.
 POSTPONED MATCHES:
 BLACKTOWN 2 (G. Stoney, Aantastic)
 SUNSHINE GEORGE CROSS 1 (Laird).
 MELBOURNE JUST 1 (Duralovic 30' Retre 80').

Round 19. May 27 - 28.

APIA Leichhardt v Blacktown City
 Heidelberg v St George
 Marconi v Adelaide City
 Melbourne Croatia v Pres. Makedonia
 Melbourne JUST v Sydney Croatia
 Sydney Olympic v Sunshine G/Cross
 Wollongong City v South Melbourne
 Postponed Match. May 31
 APIA Leichhardt v South Melbourne.

Round 20. June 3 - 4.

Adelaide City v Wollongong City
 Blacktown City v Marconi
 Pres. Makedonia v Melbourne JUST
 South Melbourne v Sydney Olympic
 St George v APIA Leichhardt
 Sunshine G/Cross v Melbourne Croatia
 Sydney Croatia v Heidelberg
 Postponed Match. June 7.
 St George v Blacktown City.

Round 21. June 10 - 12.

APIA Leichhardt v Sydney Croatia
 Blacktown City v St George
 Heidelberg v Pres. Makedonia

Round 23. June 24 - 25.

APIA Leichhardt v Sunshine G/Cross
 Blacktown City v Pres. Makedonia
 Heidelberg v South Melbourne
 Marconi v Sydney Olympic
 Melbourne Croatia v Wollongong City
 Melbourne JUST v Adelaide City
 St George v Sydney Croatia
 Postponed Matches. June 28.
 Blacktown v Sydney Croatia.

Round 24. July 1 - 2.

Adelaide City v Heidelberg
 Marconi v Sydney Croatia
 Pres. Makedonia v St George
 South Melbourne v APIA Leichhardt
 Sunshine G/Cross v Blacktown City
 Sydney Olympic v Melbourne Croatia
 Wollongong City v Melbourne JUST

Round 25. July 8 - 9.

APIA Leichhardt v Adelaide City
 Blacktown City v South Melbourne
 Heidelberg v Wollongong City
 Melbourne Croatia v Marconi
 Melbourne JUST v Sydney Olympic



South Melbourne





WIN A BALL autographed by ARGENTINA

The World Champions

The competition page proved to be one of the most popular features of the first edition of Aussie Soccer.

We have received tons of entries with suggestions for the new strip of the Socceroos.

The three Socceroos judging the competition will announce the winner of the ball autographed by Pele and Puskas in the July edition (as well as naming the runners-up who will be receiving Aussie Soccer tee shirts).

Meantime we have come up

with another super prize for our second competition - a ball autographed by the Argentinian national team which toured Australia in 1988.

The signatures of Oscar Ruggeri, Julio Olarticoechea, Sergio Batista, Ricardo Giusti, Jose Cuciuffo, Nestor Clausen, Hector Enrique - all members of the Argentina side which won the 1986 World Cup final against West Germany - are on the ball.

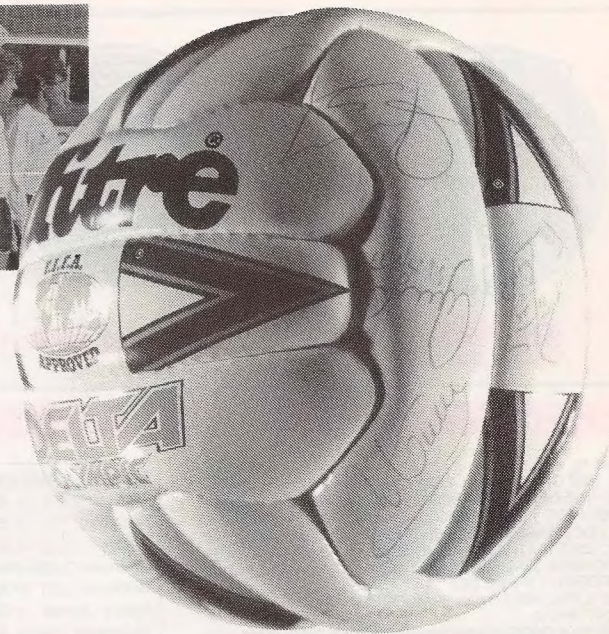
And there are also autographs of the new stars who are likely to defend the world title

next year including Jose Luis Rodriguez, Luis Islas, Oscar Dertycia and Oscar Garre.

All you have to do to have a chance of winning the ball is to spot the ten deliberate alterations in the cartoons below.

Mark the alterations on the cartoon on the right and send it with the form to:

**Spot the Difference
Aussie Soccer
PO Box 416,
St Albans, Vic, 3021.**



The closing date for entries is July 15, 1989.

Apart from the top prize, there are 10 tee shirts to be won as consolation prizes.

The solutions and the winners will be published in Aussie Soccer.

We acknowledge the assistance of Tim White, Victoria's Director of coaching for helping to set up this competition. And our thanks to Mitre Soccer Balls.

Smoking



The penalty you don't need.

Every year, thousands of Australians die of diseases caused by smoking – more than six times the number who die in road accidents. This is what you could be doing to yourself by continuing to smoke:

Lung Cancer

Nine out of ten cases of lung cancer are smoking related. Lung cancer is rarely found in non-smokers.

Heart Disease

One quarter of all heart disease deaths are due to cigarettes. By smoking you increase your chance of heart attack by three times (three fold).

Emphysema

Nine out of ten smokers have the beginnings of emphysema. With this disease your lungs begin to rot, lung tissue hardens and the pressure of breathing blows holes in your lungs. Eventually you become a breathless invalid.

Chronic Bronchitis

As a smoker, you'll suffer more bronchitis than non-smokers. This means shortness of breath, smoker's cough and the risk of pneumonia.

Reduced Fitness

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